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# BISHOPS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH.

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James O. Andrew .....	Georgia.....	1794	Philadelphia.....	1832	Died in Mobile, Ala., March, 1871.
William Capers.....	S. Carolina.....	1790	Petersburgh, Va.	1846	Died in South Carolina, January, 1855.
Robert Paine.....	N. Carolina.....	1799	Petersburgh, Va.	1846	Died in Aberdeen, Miss., October, 1882.
Henry B. Bascom.....	New York .....	1796	St. Louis, Mo.....	1850	Died in Kentucky, September, 1850.
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John Early .....	Virginia.....	1786	Columbus, Ga.....	1854	Died in Virginia, 1873.
Hub. H. Kavanaugh.....	Kentucky .....	1802	Columbus, Ga.....	1854	Died in Columbus, Miss., March 19, 1884.
William M. Wightman .....	S. Carolina.....	1808	New Orleans.....	1866	Died in Charleston, S. C., February 15, 1882.
Enoch M. Marvin.....	Missouri .....	1823	New Orleans.....	1866	Died in St. Louis, Mo., 1877.
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John C. Keener.....	Maryland .....	1819	Memphis, Tenn...	1870	Residence, New Orleans, La.
Alpheus W. Wilson.....	Maryland .....	1834	Nashville, Tenn...	1882	Residence, Baltimore, Md.
Linus Parker.....	New York .....	1829	Nashville, Tenn...	1882	Died in New Orleans, March 5, 1885.
John C. Granbery .....	Virginia .....	1829	Nashville, Tenn...	1882	Residence, Ashland, Va.
Robert K. Hargrove.....	Alabama .....	1829	Nashville, Tenn...	1882	Residence, Nashville, Tenn.
William W. Duncan .....	Virginia .....	1839	Richmond, Va.....	1886	Residence, Spartanburg, S. C.
Chas. B. Galloway .....	Mississippi .....	1849	Richmond, Va.....	1886	Residence, Jackson, Miss.
Eugene R. Hendrix.....	Missouri .....	1847	Richmond, Va.....	1886	Residence, Kansas City, Mo.
Joseph S. Key .....	Georgia .....	1829	Richmond, Va.....	1886	Residence, Sherman, Texas.
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## Sunday's Services.

### METHODIST CHURCH.

- 9 a. m. Conference love-feast, led by Rev. O. T. Hotchkiss.
- 11 a. m. Bishop John C. Granbery, D. D., followed by ordination of deacons.
- 3 p. m. Memorial session.
- 7 p. m. Rev. J. D. Barbee, D. D., followed by ordination of elders.

### BAPTIST CHURCH.

- 11 a. m. Rev. J. B. Sears.
- 7 p. m. Rev. R. J. Briggs, D. D.

### CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

- 11 a. m. Rev. Nathan Powell.
  - 7 p. m. Rev. P. L. Cobb.
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## *PART I.*

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### **Officers, Boards and Committees.**

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#### **Officers.**

Bishop John C. Granbery.....President.  
Rev. Seth Ward .....Secretary.  
Rev. D. H. Hotchkiss.....Assist. Sec'y and Editor of Minutes.  
Rev. C. A. Hooper.....Assistant Secretary.  
Rev. James Kilgore.....Statistical Secretary.

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PUBLIC WORSHIP.—W. Wootton, G. E. Clothier, M. D. Cole.

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**PREACHER'S AID.**—A. E. Goodwyn, president; B. D. Orgain, vice-president; Tom Murrah, secretary and treasurer; D. H. Hotchkiss, H. M. Haynie, T. B. Graves, J. J. Morgan.

**MEMOIRS.**—H. M. Sears, A. E. Goodwyn, C. H. Brooks.

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### Committees of Examination, and Classes for 1897-8.

*For Admission.*—G. A. LeClere, J. B. Sears, S. H. Morgan.

*First Year.*—F. O. Favre, S. W. Thomas, W. Wootton.

*Class.*—Nathan Powell (L. E.), John C. Cameron, John W. Bergin (L. D.), John R. Warlick (L. D.), M. E. Diehl.

*Second Year.*—J. B. Cochran, T. S. Williford, J. L. Massey.

*Class.*—George R. Ray, Willis E. Washburn.

*Third Year.*—O. T. Hotchkiss, H. M. Sears, Seth Ward.

*Class.*—Charles U. McLarty, Ellie C. Keith, Edmund A. Potts, Beverly W. Allen, W. R. Campbell (L. E.).

*Fourth Year.*—E. W. Solomon, C. A. Hooper, D. H. Hotchkiss.



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*Class.*—Clyde B. Garrett, Marion L. Lindsey, R. E. Nunn, Henry R. Kimbler, E. P. Newsom, C. E. Simpson, J. W. Thompson, J. C. Stewart, M. F. Daniel (L. E.), E. M. Myers, J. L. Yeats, Ira B. Gordon, W. C. Bracewell.

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#### **Joint-Board of Finance for 1897-8.**

*Clerical.*—C. A. Hooper, F. E. Hammond, F. L. Allen, W. Wootton, J. L. Massey.

*Lay.*—E. P. Hamblen, B. D. Orgain, J. D. Campbell, J. E. Crawford, W. W. Adickes.

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#### **Visiting Committees for 1897-8.**

*Southwestern University.*—J. L. Massey, F. E. Hammond.

*Chappell Hill Female College.*—E. P. Newsom, G. S. Sandel.

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#### **Joint-Board of Publication of Texas Christian Advocate.**

J. B. Sears, Seth Ward, W. W. Adickes.

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#### **Curators Southwestern University.**

A. E. Goodwyn, Seth Ward, E. W. Solomon, O. T. Hotchkiss, E. S. Smith.

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#### **Trustees of Chappell Hill Female College, and Date of Expiration of Term.**

1898.—H. C. Brandt, T. A. Mercer, J. D. Campbell, A. W. Toland, A. E. Goodwyn, Jas. A. Pickens.

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#### **Trustees of Soule College.**

J. M. Nicholson, E. W. Tarrant, J. W. Horn, C. H. Brooks, G. C. Stovall, T. B. Stone, H. C. Brandt, D. P. Perkins, T. A. Mercer, M. M. Felder, J. B. Sears, H. Hudgins, J. B. Cochran, Chas. Cocke, D. N. Harris.

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#### **Treasurers and Their Addresses.**

*Board of Missions*—O. T. Hotchkiss, Houston, Texas.

*Board of Church Extension*—Geo. H. Phair, Hearne, Texas.

*Board of Education*—H. C. Pritchett, Huntsville, Texas.

*Sunday-School Board*—D. N. Harris, Wallis Station, Texas.

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES.

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*Joint Board Finance*—W. W. Adickes, Huntsville, Texas.

*Preachers' Aid Board*—Tom Murrah, Austin, Texas.

Money collected for any of the above boards should be sent to the treasurer of said board.

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**Lay Delegates.**

HOUSTON DISTRICT.

E. P. Hamblen, R. M. Brown, M. D. Fields, John Ilfry.

AUSTIN DISTRICT.

L. McRell, R. J. Price, A. R. Gossard, A. M. Hill.

BRENHAM DISTRICT.

J. D. Campbell, W. M. Stone, J. C. Crunk, J. T. Kemp.

CALVERT DISTRICT.

J. M. Foster, J. E. Crawford, J. D. Stell, J. O. Jorden.

HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT.

M. S. Cooper, J. B. Holman, W. W. Adickes, M. D. Cole.

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## PART II.

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### Abstract of Proceedings.

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The fifty-eighth session of the Texas Annual Conference of the M. E. Church, South, convened in the Methodist Church in Bryan, Texas, December 8, 1897, at 9 o'clock a. m., with Bishop John C. Granbery presiding. Daily sessions were held—the one on Sunday being the Memorial session—until 11:30 o'clock, Monday morning, December 13, 1897, when, after the reading of the appointments, it adjourned sine die. Seth Ward was elected Secretary, with D. H. Hotchkiss and C. A. Hooper assistants, and James Kilgore as Secretary of Statistics.

Other than the routine work of calling and answering the disciplinary questions, receiving communications, and reports of committees, and of passing resolutions (all of which is shown in succeeding parts), the Conference transacted the following business:

*First Day, December 8, 1897.*

On motion of Dr. E. S. Smith, the Bishop appointed W. W. Adickes, J. D. Campbell and D. H. Hotchkiss a committee to devise and submit a plan for receiving Conference monies in such way as to avoid interruption of the Conference business.

The following brethren were introduced and welcomed to the Conference: Dr. F. M. Law, Agent of Baylor College of the Baptist Church; Dr. J. D. Barbee, Book Agent, M. E. Church, South; Rev. F. G. Hocutt, of the Louisiana Conference; Rev. P. L. Cobb, of the Tennessee Conference; Dr. W. C. Friley, Pastor of the Baptist Church in Bryan; Dr. J. R. Allen, Chairman of the Faculty, and Rev. F. B. Sinex, Financial Agent of the Southwestern University. The last two named gentlemen addressed the Conference in the interest of our great educational work in Texas.

The Rev. C. F. Moore, Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Texas College of the C. M. E. Church, was introduced, and addressed the Conference in the interest of Texas College, which is located at Tyler, Texas. A paper presented by him was referred to the Board of Education. Dr. T. R. Pierce, editor of the *Texas Christian Advocate*, was introduced and spoke in commendation of Texas College and of the importance of educational work among the colored people of Texas.

Under the call of Question 20, the Rev. Leon Sonfield surrendered his credentials as a minister in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, but retaining his membership in the church.

The Rev. I. Z. T. Morris, of the Northwest Texas Conference, was introduced to the Conference. Dr. H. V. Philpott submitted to the brethren the matter of organizing a society for the aid of superannuated preachers and other Conference claimants. The Committee on Public Worship announced that the Rev. G. A. LeClere would preach in the Baptist Church at 3 o'clock p. m., and W. D. Bradfield in the Methodist Church at 7:30 p. m.

*Second Day, December 9, 1897.*

The following brethren were introduced to the Conference: the Rev. J. D. West, of the Presbyterian Church; the Rev. A. M. Stewart, of the Freewill Baptist Church, and Brothers R. J. Briggs and C. J. Oxley.

The Rev. J. D. Scott, of the West Texas Conference, was introduced. Brother Scott appeared as a Commissioner from his Conference representing the Rescue work established in San Antonio, and asking the co-operation of this Conference in the maintenance of the work. On motion of A. E. Goodwyn, the matter was referred to a committee of three, to be appointed by the Chair. The Chair appointed the committee as follows: A. E. Goodwyn, G. A. LeClere and E. S. Smith.

A collection, amounting to \$31.60, was taken for Texas College, the educational enterprise of the C. M. E. Church, in Texas.

The Rev. M. E. Diehl, of the M. E. Church, was introduced to the Conference. The Committee on Public Worship announced that the Rev. C. J. Oxley would preach at the Baptist Church at 3 o'clock p. m., and the Rev. E. P. Newsom at 7:30 p. m., and that the Rev. J. R. Allen would preach at the Methodist Church at 7:30 p. m.

*Third Day, December 10, 1897.*

The Rev. W. H. Vaughan, Agent of the Texas Methodist Orphanage, addressed the Conference in the interest of the cause he represents.

The Revs. R. E. Nunn, of the Denver Conference, and W. T. Melugin, from the Northwest Texas Conference, were introduced.

A collection, amounting to \$112.85, was taken by O. T. Hotchkiss for Miss Mattie Keith, a daughter of Brother C. M. Keith, a deceased member of the Conference, the money to be used in paying her tuition at Georgetown.

The Committee on Public Worship announced that J. L. Massey would preach at the Methodist Church at 7:30 p. m., and J. D. Scott, of the West Texas Conference, at the Baptist Church at the same hour.

*Fourth Day, December 11, 1897.  
Morning Session.*

After the opening of this session with devotional exercises, and the reading of the minutes of the preceding session, the order of the day was the election of delegates to the General Conference. The Secretary stated that there were ninety-seven clerical, and twenty lay members of the Conference, entitling the Conference to two clerical and two lay representatives.

Seth Ward, on the first ballot, and E. W. Solomon, on the second ballot, were elected the clerical delegates. O. T. Hotchkiss and J. B. Cochran were elected reserve delegates. The lay brethren elected H. C. Pritchett on the first ballot, and J. D. Campbell on the fourth ballot, to be the lay delegates, with E. P. Hamblen and Jno. E. Crawford as reserve lay delegates.

Dr. Jno. R. Allen and Rev. F. B. Sinex spoke to the Conference briefly. It was stated that the sum of \$1925 had been secured from the Texas Conference for the building fund of Southwestern University.

An afternoon session was ordered, to begin at 2:30 o'clock.

Dr. W. B. Rankin, District Superintendent of the A. B. S., was introduced to the Conference, and spoke in the interest of the Bible cause.

The Rev. John L. Andrews, pastor of the Christian Church in Bryan, was introduced.

The Committee on Public Worship announced a Missionary Anniversary for 7:30 o'clock p. m.

The Rev. Abe Mulkey, a local preacher of Corsicana, was introduced and made remarks to the Conference.

*Fourth Day, December 11, 1897.  
Afternoon Session.*

At the request of the Bishop, Dr. E. S. Smith presided at this session.

Pending the consideration of the report of the Board of Education, Prof. L. F. Smith, President of Chappell Hill Female College, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

Various reports were adopted.

A memorial session was ordered to be held on Sunday afternoon.

*Fifth Day, December 12, 1897.  
Memorial Session.*

Conference met Sunday, December 12th, at 3 o'clock p. m., in memorial session, with Bishop Granbery in the chair. Religious service was conducted by the Rev. M. S. Hotchkiss.

The Rev. H. M. Sears, Chairman of the Committee on Memoirs, made some remarks explaining the work of the Committee, and expressing his sincere regard for our honored and deceased brother, the Rev. I. G. John. The Rev. C. H. Brooks, for the Committee, then read the memoir of Dr. John. Many brethren spoke to the report, giving expression to the high regard and tender affection in which Dr. John was held by the Conference of which he was so long a member. The report was adopted, and thus was answered:

*Ques. 19. What preachers have died during the year?* I. G. John.

The doxology was sung and the Conference adjourned with the benediction.

*Sixth Day, December 13, 1897.*

Mrs. Sallie Philpott, President of the W. F. S. of the Texas Conference, was introduced and spoke to the Conference in the interest of the cause she represents.

On motion of H. M. Sears, the Bishop was requested to appoint B. W. Allen a student in an institution of learning.

Various resolutions were adopted.

After announcing the Joint Board of Finance for 1898, and the Visiting Committees, Rev. R. J. Briggs offered prayer. The Bishop read the appointment, the doxology was sung, the benediction was pronounced by the Bishop and the Conference adjourned.

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## PART III.

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### Condensed Minutes—1897.

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1. Who are admitted on trial? Nathan Powell, John C. Cameron, John W. Bergin, John R. Warlick and M. E. Diehl.
2. Who remain on trial? Ellie C. Keith (in class of third year), George R. Ray and Willis E. Washburn.
3. Who are discontinued? None.
4. Who are admitted into full connection? Charles U. McLarty.
5. Who are readmitted? None.
6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? C. J. Oxley, an elder from the New Mexico Conference, W. T. Melugin, elder from Northwest Texas Conference, and R. E. Nunn, a deacon from the Denver Conference.
7. Who are the deacons of one year? E. P. Newsom, W. R. Campbell, C. B. Garrett, M. L. Lindsey, B. W. Allen, E. A. Potts, H. R. Kimbler, C. E. Simpson, John W. Thompson, E. M. Myers, John C. Stewart, M. F. Daniel, J. L. Yeats and R. E. Nunn.
8. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Charles U. McLarty.
9. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Charles U. McLarty.
10. What local preachers are elected deacons? William S. Tomey, John W. Bergin, John R. Warlick, William W. Edgar and Elijah F. Walker.
11. What local preachers are ordained deacons? William S. Tomey, John W. Bergin, John R. Warlick, William W. Edgar and Elijah F. Walker.
12. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Joseph C. Moore, Jesse A. McIver, John R. Murray, William D. Gaskins.
13. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Joseph C. Moore, John R. Murray, Jesse A. McIver and William D. Gaskins.



14. What local preachers are elected elders? Nathan Powell, John W. Eichwurzel.

15. What local preachers are ordained elders? Nathan Powell and John W. Eichwurzel.

16. Who are located this year? R. T. Blackburn, J. B. Nutter and G. E. Clothier, at their own requests.

17. Who are supernumerary? None.

18. Who are superannuated? F. A. McShan, D. H. Linebaugh, T. W. Blake, John H. Davidson, James M. Wesson, Wesley Smith, W. K. Turner, W. G. Nelms, Gideon Powledge, George C. Stovall and H. V. Philpott.

19. What preachers have died during the past year? Isaac G. John, D. D.

20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called one by one, and their characters were passed. Leon Sonfield surrendered his credentials as a minister of the M. E. Church, South.

21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations and missions of the Conference? Local preachers, 119; members, 23,039.

22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 655.

23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 729.

24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 72.

25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 2392.

26. What is the number of Sunday Schools? 182.

27. What is the number of Sunday School teachers? 1455.

28. What is the number of Sunday School scholars? 11,263.

29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$4110.

30. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$4287.28. For manner of distribution see report of Joint Board of Finance.

31. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign, \$4175.33; domestic, \$3269.72.

32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$1373.



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33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$120.69.

34. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$6659.56; preachers in charge, \$45,599.36.

35. What has been contributed for the support of Bishops? \$867.56.

36. What is the number of Societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Number of societies, 249; number of church edifices, 187; value, \$361,644.75.

37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Number of charges, 86; number of parsonages, 72; value, \$72,210.

38. What is the number and value of district parsonages? Number of district parsonages, 1; value, \$1100.

39. What are the educational statistics? Southwestern University has 22 officers and teachers; 425 students; property valued at \$85,500. Chappell Hill Female College has officers and teachers, 6; students, 60; property valued at \$12,000.

40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Houston.

41. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

## Appointments for 1898.

### Houston District.

PRESIDING ELDER—O. T. HOTCHKISS, 2.

Houston—Shearn Church, Seth Ward, 2.  
 Washington Street, J. W. Horn, 3.  
 McKee Street, J. W. McMahan, 1.  
 The Tabernacle, D. H. Hotchkiss, 1.  
 City Mission, C. A. Hooper, 4.  
 Galveston—St. John's, W. D. Bradfield, 2.  
 St. James', C. J. Oxley, 1.  
 West End, Nathan Powell, 2, (I), (L. E.)  
 Richmond, S. W. Thomas, 1. Alvin, J. M. Adams, 2.  
 Columbia and Brazoria, T. Angleton, H. G. Williams, 1.  
 S. Williford, 2. Wharton and Hungerford, J.  
 Sandy Point, J. R. Warlick, R. Murray, 1.  
 (1), (I), (L. D.) El Campo, J. W. Bergin, 1,  
 Matagorda, J. J. Calloway, 3. (I), (L. D.)  
 Rosenberg, J. C. Stewart, 2. Patterson, B. J. Guess, 2.  
 (IV). Dickinson, J. L. Yeats, 1, (IV).  
 Cedar Bayou, L. P. Davis, 1.

### Austin District.

PRESIDING ELDER—H. M. SEARS, 2.

Austin—Tenth Street, R. J. Briggs, 2.  
 Hotchkiss Memorial, E. S. Smith, 2.  
 First Street, E. G. Hocutt, 3.  
 South Austin, M. E. Diehl, 1, Cypress Mission, to be supplied  
 (I). by D. W. Gardner, 2, (L. E.)  
 Manchaca, J. W. Kelley, 2. Manor, F. E. Hammond, 1.  
 Webberville, W. R. Campbell, Elgin, C. H. Brooks, 3.  
 1, (III), (L. E.) Bastrop, Ira M. Bryce, 1.  
 McDade, R. E. Nunn, 1, (IV). Smithville, T. B. Graves, 1.  
 Cedar Creek, J. C. Cameron, La Grange, G. H. Collins, 1.  
 1, (I), (L. D.) Columbus, J. E. Green, 1.

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West Point, W. T. McDonald, 1.	Merrilltown and Walnut, W. D. Gaskins, 2.
Eagle Lake and Rock Island, E. L. Shettles, 1.	Student at Vanderbilt University, B. W. Allen, (III).
Weimar and Osage, W. F. Brinson, 1.	Flatonia, A. E. Goodwyn, 2.

**Brenham District.**

PRESIDING ELDER—E. W. SOLOMON, 1.

Brenham, E. P. Newsom, 3, (IV), (L. D.)	Chappell Hill, H. M. Haynie, 1.
Giddings, M. F. Daniel, 1, (IV), (L. E.)	Bellville, J. P. Skinner, 4.
Sealy, C. L. Farrington, 2.	Lyons, W. C. Bracewell, 2.
Caldwell, H. C. Willis, 2.	Milano, J. C. Moore, 1.
Cameron, J. B. Sears, 1.	Cameron Cir., T. R. Cain, 1.
Davilla, J. M. Crutchfield, 1.	Mayfield, J. L. Russell, 2.
Rockdale, F. L. Allen, 2.	Pleasant Hill, J. W. Thompson, 1, (IV).
Lexington, W. T. Melugin, 1.	Deanville, W. E. Washburn, 1, (II).
Ben Arnold, E. A. Potts, 1, (III).	Conference, Sec. of Missions, J. B. Sears.

**Calvert District.**

PRESIDING ELDER—G. A. LE CLERE, 1.

Calvert, James Kilgore, 3.	Bremond and Reagan, J. W. Harmon, 2.
Marlin, Weems Wootton, 1.	Chilton and Lott, J. W. Cullen, 1.
Rosebud, S. P. Brown, 1.	Durango, H. T. Hart, 1.
Kosse and Alto, C. E. Simpson, 1, (IV).	Strainger and Harmony, to be supplied by G. T. Newberry, 1.
Personville, G. R. Ray, 1, (II).	Hearne and Wheelock, G. H. Phair, 2.
Fairfield, J. W. Holt, 1.	Franklin Cir., to be supplied by W. M. Edgar, 1, (L. D.)
Franklin, F. O. Favre, 1.	Rogers' Prairie, C. E. Keith, 1, (III).
Mount Vernon, M. L. Lindsey, 3, (IV).	Buffalo and Oakwoods, C. B. Garrett, 1, (IV).
Petteway, to be supplied by J. O. Jorden, 2.	
Centerville, C. M. Thompson, 1.	
Jewett, W. H. Brooks, 1.	

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**Huntsville District.**

PRESIDING ELDER—J. C. MICKLE, 1.

Huntsville, J. L. Massey, 4.	Anderson, J. A. McIver, 1.
Navasota, S. F. Chambers, 1.	Courtney and Plantersville,
Hockley, H. R. Kimbler, 3,	Chas. U. McLarty, 2, (III).
(IV).	Dodge, I. B. Gordon, 1, (IV).
Conroe and Montgomery, A.	Madisonville, W. W. Horner, 2.
J. Anderson, 1.	Zion, to be supplied by T. K.
Prairie Plains, E. M. Meyers,	True, 1.
1, (IV).	Bryan, J. B. Cochran, 1.
Hempstead and Waller, S. H.	Willis, R. W. Adams, 3.
Morgan, 1.	Cold Springs, R. T. Woolsey, 1.
Millican, G. S. Sandel, 3.	

TRANSFERRED.—G. C. Rector, to the Tennessee Conference;  
A. T. Osbron, to the St. Louis Conference, and stationed at  
New Madrid.

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NOTE—The Arabic numeral following each name indicates this year to be the first, second, third or fourth year of the present pastorate.  
Roman numerals indicate undergraduates, and the class of each one.  
Letters in parenthesis refer to ministerial orders.

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## PART IV.

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### Reports and Resolutions.

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#### Report on Education.

SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.—Our great central institution continues to prosper notwithstanding the stringency of the times. The Curators report a spirit of hopefulness and good cheer in every department of the school, growing out of the high grade of students attending the University, and the perfect harmony existing among the faculty. The enrollment the present session is 425. This number, no doubt, would have been materially increased if the loan fund had been adequate to the demand. For lack of this aid many young preachers were precluded from entering the institution. We still urge, as in our former report, the importance and necessity of strengthening and sustaining the loan fund, that needed aid may be extended to worthy young men preparing for the ministry. We recommend that the amount received by us from the Sunday School Board be appropriated to the loan fund of Southwestern University.

Giddings Hall, under the efficient management of Prof. R. F. Young and wife, had 61 occupants during the past session who were furnished board, fuel and lights for the very small sum of \$85 each per scholastic year, when paid in advance. We rejoice to note that the University has been blessed with its usual annual revival of religion, resulting in 80 conversions.

We are glad also to note the present movement for securing the much needed University building; and we heartily commend it to our people, believing that it will be crowned with success.

The Curators report the Ladies' Annex as having the most successful record within the history of the University. The patronage is far beyond any year of the past. For healthfulness of location, thorough instruction and discipline, social and religious surroundings, we think it of high merit and deserving hearty commendation.

We are pleased to learn that an extensive addition has been made to the building, increasing its capacity at least one-third, at a cost of \$5700.00, which has been provided for.

CHAPPELL HILL FEMALE COLLEGE.—This school is still doing good work under the management of Prof. Landon F. Smith, with an efficient corps of teachers. The enrollment for the cur-

rent year is 64, of whom 21 board in the college home. Of these, 39 are in college classes, and 25 in primary department. It is worthy of note that 3 of the 21 boarders in the College home are daughters of itinerant ministers, who pay half rates for board and tuition.

The present indebtedness upon this property is reported to be \$1400, principal and interest.

SCARRITT BIBLE AND TRAINING SCHOOL.—A paper from Miss Gibson, Principal of this school, asking our co-operation in their work, having been referred to us by the Conference, we take pleasure in commending the work of the institution, and at her request, in correcting the error that none but foreign missionary candidates are admitted. She states positively that there is no such limitation, but that the Christian young women who have no other object than to study the Bible for their own good, or for their help as Sunday School teachers or Christian workers, are urged to come.

We recommend that the Bishop reappoint H. C. Pritchett Secretary of Education.

The amount assessed by the General Board upon this Conference is \$184.80.

We recommend the assessment of \$250 for Payne and Lane Institutes.

We recommend that the educational assessment be, as in past years, \$1500, and that it be divided as follows: Three-fourths to Southwestern University, and one-fourth to Chappell Hill Female College.

The educational collection for this year is \$865.40, less \$16.00 paid for printing minutes, \$849.40, which has been divided as follows: Southwestern University, \$637.05; Chappell Hill Female College, \$212.35. We have collected for Payne and Lane Institutes this year, \$131.40, less \$2.60 paid for printing minutes, leaving \$128.80. We have collected for General Board of Education this year, \$95.54, less \$1.40 paid for printing minutes, leaving \$94.14, together with \$15.23 received from the Sunday School Board, being ten per cent. of collections on Children's Day. Paid R. J. Bigham \$109.37:

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. GOODWYN, President.

JOHN E. CRAWFORD, Secretary.

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**Books and Periodicals.**

*To the Bishop and Members of the Texas Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South:*

DEAR BRETHREN:—Your Committee on Books and Periodicals respectfully submit the following report:

The financial condition of our Publishing House is most satisfactory. Our agents report a net gain of 6% for the year ending March 31st, '97, on the capital that has been invested.

The publications of the House were never more satisfactory. The *Christian Advocate*, editorially, is exceptionally strong. It enjoys among its contributors many of our best names. The Sunday-school literature, especially the "Magazine," seems to be steadily improving in its efficiency. The *Epworth Era*, though having faced some unfortunate conditions, has a brighter face and a sunnier disposition of late. The *Review of Missions* is the exponent of the zeal, intelligence and consecration of its editors. The *Methodist Review* more and more is meeting the high expectations of the church, and enjoys a most enviable reputation with like journals throughout our nation. These publications, one and all, we heartily commend to our Conference, and bespeak for them an honest canvass on the part of each preacher. The courteous and business-like conduct of all the affairs of the House by our agents, Messrs Barbee and Smith, we gladly commend.

The *Texas Christian Advocate* continues to enjoy the confidence of Texas Methodism. Its editor is giving, from week to week, editorials surpassing in finish and power. Its publisher is likewise to be commended for his enterprise in its mechanical form and execution, and for his efforts to give the paper a wide circulation. We urge upon our preachers and laymen the necessity of making the contributors' department of the *Advocate* as entertaining and efficient as any other department of the paper. Let our motto be, "The *Texas Christian Advocate* for every home in Texas Methodism."

W. D. BRADFIELD, Chairman.

G. A. LECLERE, Secretary.

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**Epworth League.**

*To the Bishop and Members of the Texas Annual Conference:*

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN:—Your Committee on Epworth League beg leave to submit the following report:

We have 66 leagues in the Conference with a membership of 2392; decrease, 6 leagues, 150 members. The birth of the Epworth League, we believe, was providential. Its growth has



been phenomenal, and it has already accomplished much good in the development of Christian character, and the enlargement and advancement of the work of the Church of Christ. We believe that what it has done in many places, it may do in most, if not in all the places, where our church labors. It is an arm of great power, and may be made a much greater influence yet. Its original is its present purpose, and the correlation of its departments for the accomplishment of this purpose could scarcely be better; the great need everywhere is executive ability to carry on its work.

This may be acquired by all, as is demonstrated in the work of many of the leagues of our own Conference. We feel called upon to restate, and with emphasis, the position of your committee at the last session of our Conference, that the work of the league is in no sense different from the work of the church. It is the church itself working, and therefore its work is the work of the church, and must not in any sense be considered otherwise. It ought to be the best presentation of the aggressive activities of the church, but only in connection with the regular channels of church work. We deem it unwise for the league to attempt any work, but especially foreign missionary work, except through the regular missionary methods of the church. More and more of the tentativeness that characterized much of the work done in the beginning of its activities is disappearing, and we believe it is constantly becoming better and better. In view of the importance of the preachers keeping in immediate touch with the young people, and of the time consumed attending so many conferences, and other considerations, we feel called upon to recommend to this Conference the adoption of the following resolutions as suggestive to the members of the league:

*Resolved*, First, that it is the sense of this Conference that the Annual Conference League Conference ought to be discontinued entirely.

*Resolved*, Second, that in our judgment it would be well if the leagues would decide not to hold the State Conference oftener than once in two years.

*Resolved*, Third, that we believe the District League Conference to be the best for the development of league workers, and that it answers all the purposes of the organization.

E. W. SOLOMON, Chairman.

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### **Bible Cause.**

*To the Bishop and Members of the Texas Conference:*

DEAR BRETHREN:—The American Bible Society is an important factor in the progress of the church in our home land.



The aid that it renders in the foreign field is an absolute necessity. We feel that its interests ought to be gotten more definitely on the heart of the church. We have collected this year \$75.25 from twenty-eight charges. Last year we collected \$110 from thirty-eight charges. Many of the brethren send the money through other channels, therefore, we are unable to find out what is collected for this work.

We recommend that the preachers preserve their receipts and turn them into the treasury of this board, that it may be known definitely what we are doing.

Respectfully,

J. D. CAMPBELL, Chairman.

J. W. KELLEY, Secretary.

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### Conference Relations.

DEAR BRETHREN:—The following named brethren have been referred to your Committee for the superannuated relation, viz.: F. A. McShan, D. H. Linebaugh, T. W. Blake, John H. Davidson, James M. Wesson, Wesley Smith, W. K. Turner, W. G. Nelms, Gideon Powledge, Geo. C. Stovall, and H. V. Philpott. We recommend that in each case the request be granted.

J. W. HORN, Chairman.

S. F. CHAMBERS, Secretary.

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### District Conference Records.

*To the Bishop and Members of the Texas Conference:*

BRETHREN:—The Committee on District Conference Records submit for your consideration the following report:

The Records of the five Districts of the Conference have been examined.

All the minutes are sufficiently correct to be intelligible to any one referring to them.

*Brenham District.*—Date and number of the session are omitted in the record of the first day's proceedings. There is no record of the Committees on Examination for License to Preach and for Recommendation for Admission on Trial, though their reports are recorded. About twenty-five words are misspelled.

*Huntsville District.*—Record has few errors, and is neat in general appearance.

*Houston District.*—Record has few errors, and is neat in general appearance.

*Austin District.*—The general appearance is good, but a local preacher is called a lay delegate.

*Calvert District.*—The minutes of the first day do not give names of those present. The minutes were signed at the end of each day's session, when they should be signed only at the end of the last session.

J. R. MURRAY, Chairman.

C. B. GARRETT, Secretary.

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### Report of Committee on Orphans' Home.

*To the Bishop and Members of the Texas Annual Conference:*

DEAR BRETHREN:—We, your Committee on the Orphans' Home, submit the following as our report:

The condition of the Home, as seen in the report of the Board of Directors, and other evidence before this committee, is gratifying indeed. "The good favor of God and the liberal hand of our people," together with an efficient board of directors, with Sister Vaughan in the Home, and Brother Vaughan in the midst of the churches, have contributed to bring about this condition.

We find that one hundred children are under the supervision of the Home; twenty-five of this number have been placed in private Christian homes, the manager retaining general supervision. We are glad to report that the educational, medical and religious facilities afforded these little ones are all that could be desired, and that by virtue of the Christian influence surrounding them, twenty-eight have been converted to God and added to our church this year.

We are glad to report that this is not an asylum, a reformatory, a place of refuge only, but a Christian home, around whose altar our God reveals himself.

We report one death during the year.

The material condition indicates prosperity. The children are well fed and clothed, and comfortably housed. During the year an additional brick building, nearly double the capacity of the original one, has been constructed. Also a valuable piece of farming land has been secured, at a convenient distance from the Home, where lessons in agriculture will be given.

The estimated value of the Orphans' Home is \$20,000, and it is practically unencumbered.

Of the \$600 assessed against this Conference for the year just ending, the manager states that all would be in hand.

We endorse the action of the Board of Directors in the re-election of Rev. W. H. Vaughan as manager. We recommend that the same amount as last year, \$600, be assessed against this Conference for the ensuing year, and that our pastors collect and forward early in the year, to the manager, the amount assessed against their respective charges for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

R. T. WOOLSEY, President.

J. W. CULLEN, Secretary.

### Report of Preachers' Aid Board.

*To the President and Members of the Texas Annual Conference:*

BRETHREN:—We, your Preachers' Aid Board, report for your information as follows:

At the annual meeting of the board, held in Bryan, Texas, December 11th, 1897, there was a full attendance, with the exception of Bro. J. J. Morgan.

The interest-bearing assets have been increased to \$4,109.30.

We have collected and paid to the Treasurer of the Joint Board of Finance at this session \$227.20.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. GOODWYN, President.

TOM MURRAH, Secretary and Treasurer.

### Board of Church Extension.

*To the Bishop and Members of the Texas Annual Conference:*

DEAR BRETHREN:—Your Board of Church Extension is glad to be able to report an increase in receipts over last year of nearly one hundred dollars. This is particularly gratifying when we consider the stringency of money matters. We especially commend the efforts put forth by the preachers of the Houston District to secure their assessments in full for this cause.

We had before us for our consideration eleven (11) applications for aid from the Conference Board, and two (2) for aid from the Parent Board, amounting in all to \$1175.

We had for disbursement \$671.50, and this sum we distributed as follows:

To White Oak, Harris Co., Houston District.....	\$ 25 00
To Rosenberg, Fort Bend Co., Houston District.....	75 00
To El Campo, Wharton Co., Houston District.....	125 00
To Elizabeth Chapel, Burleson Co., Brenham District...	100 00

To Giddings, Lee Co., Brenham District .....	\$100 00
To Trinity Chapel, Travis Co., Austin District.....	75 00
To Hickory Grove, Robertson Co., Calvert District.....	43 00
To Conroe, Montgomery Co., Huntsville District.....	28 50
To Elwood, Madison Co., Huntsville District.....	100 00
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	\$671 50

We deplore the lack of funds which prevented our helping all the applicants.

The assessments for the coming year on the various districts are as follows:

Houston District .....	\$ 618 00
Austin District.....	475 00
Brenham District.....	380 00
Calvert District .....	380 00
Huntsville District.....	347 00
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	\$2,200 00

We offer the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The assessment by the Parent Board of Church Extension against this Conference is out of proportion with the other Conferences, having been increased 20 per cent., while the others were increased only 10 per cent.; therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That we respectfully and urgently request the Parent Board, through our Secretary, to reduce the amount assessed against this Conference. [The resolution was adopted.—ED.]

#### WOMAN'S PARSONAGE AND HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

We beg to submit the following report in behalf of the Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Society of the Texas Annual Conference:

Amount received for disbursement.....\$120 75

Awarded as follows—

For Parsonage on Ben Arnold Mission.....\$70 75

For Parsonage on Lyon's Circuit..... 50 00—120 75

Our work is growing, and is getting a hold upon the hearts of our women. We have had a fairly prosperous year in spite of much sickness. Our finances show some improvement over last year.

With thankful hearts we close the year with strong hopes for the future of our work in this Conference.

[Signed]

MRS. L. F. ALLEN, President.

MRS. O. T. HOTCHKISS, Secretary.

The following are the officers for the ensuing year:

Mrs. F. L. Allen, President, Rockdale, Texas.

Mrs. O. T. Hotchkiss, Secretary, Houston, Texas.

Mrs. F. E. McGowen, Treasurer, Houston, Texas.

#### DISTRICT SECRETARIES.

Houston District, Mrs. Belle Blandin, Houston, Texas.

Austin District, Mrs. S. E. McCord, Bastrop, Texas.

Brenham District, Mrs. M. S. Rutherford, Brenham, Texas.

Calvert District, Mrs. C. C. Binkley, Calvert, Texas.

Huntsville District, \_\_\_\_\_.

Mrs. Seth Ward, Houston, general organizer.

Blank applications for aid from the Board of Church Extension can be obtained from the publishing house of the M. E. Church, South, Nashville, Tenn. Ten days before Conference meets is the limit for receiving applications.

W. W. HORNER, President.

H. C. WILLIS, Secretary.

#### Treasurer—Board of Church Extension.

##### RECEIPTS.

Houston District assessed	\$618 00	paid	\$558 00
Austin       "       "	475 00	"	239 50
Brenham     "       "	380 00	"	202 40
Calvert     "       "	380 00	"	201 40
Huntsville  "       "	347 00	"	171 70

Total assessed.....	\$2200 00	Paid	\$1373 00
Balance from last year.....			1 45

Total for disbursement.....\$1374 45

##### DISBURSEMENTS.

To Parent Board.....	\$671 50
To White Oak, Houston District.....	25 00
To Rosenberg, Houston District.....	75 00
To El Campo, Houston District.....	125 00
To Elizabeth Chapel, Brenham District.....	100 00
To Giddings, Brenham District.....	100 00
To Trinity Chapel, Austin District.....	75 00
To Hickory Grove, Calvert District.....	43 00
To Elwood, Huntsville District.....	100 00

To Conroe, Huntsville District.....	\$ 28 50
To Publishing minutes.....	30 00
To New York sight draft from Bastrop.....	1 00
To Incidentals .....	45

Total .....\$1374 75

GEO. H. PHAIR, Treasurer.

Received from Conroe, after report.....\$4 00

#### REPORT NO. 2.

To Cash from Mrs. E. F. McGowen, Treasurer W. P. and H. M. Society.....	\$120 75
By Cash to Geo. R. Ray for parsonage at Ben Arnold, Texas .....	\$70 75
By Cash to W. C. Bracewell, for parsonage at Lyons, Texas.....	50 00

Total .....\$120 75 \$120 75

GEO. H. PHAIR,  
Treasurer Board Ch. Ex.

Dec. 11, 1897.

#### Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Society.

Report of Texas Conference Society to Annual Conference,  
December 8, 1897:

DURING YEAR

Number of Adult Societies.....	21
Number of Adult Members.....	340
Number of Young Ladies' or Young People's Societies....	
Number of Young People Members .....	
Number of Juvenile Societies .....	
Number of Juvenile Members.....	
Total number of Connectional Members in the Society.....	340
Number of Connectional Members added during year.....	127
Number of monthly meetings during year.....	153
Total number of members present during year.....	1555
Total number of Life Members.....	
Number of subscribers to "Our Homes".....	108
New subscribers added during year.....	48
Number taking Home Mission Reading Course.....	5
Have you received leaflets this year?.....	Yes
How many are pledged to systematic giving?.....	
Number of sick, and strangers visited.....	1608
Number of papers and leaflets distributed.....	1064
Number of garments distributed.....	809

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Number of Cottage Prayer Meetings held or Bible Readings given.....	171
Number of visits to corrective or benevolent institutions..	65

Miscellaneous Items.—We have sent during the year four boxes of supplies to preachers in the Indian Territory, valuation of the four amounting to \$175.

MRS. O. T. HOTCHKISS, Conf. Cor. Sec.

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### **Report of Sunday School Board.**

Your Sunday School Board respectfully submit their report:

It is with much pleasure and gratification that we note the forward movement in our Sunday School work, and we rejoice to state that marked improvement has been accomplished during the past year, and quickened interest manifests itself, which promises even better results for the future.

We sincerely regret to state that we held no Sunday School Convention during the past year, for the reason that we received no invitation from any church, or town, offering to entertain the Convention, but we reiterate our former expressions as to the importance of holding a Sunday School Convention annually, within the bounds of our Conference. We believe that we need a higher grade, and more thorough method of teaching, in our Sunday Schools. We realize that most Bible study among the members of the church comes through the channel of the Sunday School, and it is of very great importance that a public interest be awakened and kept alive as to thoroughness in the system of instruction, and we believe that the drawing together of Sunday School workers,—the discussions and interchange of views through the medium of a Sunday School Convention, will result in very great profit to the Sunday School cause and to the church, and we would impress upon Presiding Elders and pastors the importance of specially placing this matter before Sunday School Superintendents and officers within their various jurisdictions, to the end that a greater interest may be awakened, and that this Board may receive invitations for the entertainment of such a convention. It is the purpose of this Board to hold such a convention during the coming year. We would also suggest that Presiding Elders give special attention to the Sunday School feature in connection with their various District Conferences—giving to the Sunday School cause such part and prominence in the same as deemed most calculated to arouse greater interest and produce best results.

Again we specially emphasize the importance of a careful observance of "Children's Day." We consider this one of the most important, beautiful and beneficial features of Sunday School



work—and we suggest that pastors specially see to it that Sunday School Superintendents cause a strict observance of “Children’s Day” with a suitably arranged program. We are glad to state that there was a much more universal observance of Children’s Day during the past year than heretofore. In this connection we adopt the plan recommended to us by the General Sunday School Board, which we quote as follows, to-wit: “The Conference Board announces by letter to each Superintendent that he can get free of charge a full supply of Children’s Day programs on the condition that the collection shall be taken on that day and forwarded to the Treasurer of the Conference Sunday School Board. Then the Treasurer pays for the programs out of the general collection.” The observance of Children’s Day is of vast importance and specially quickens an interest among the children and we earnestly urge its faithful observance. We also call attention, with our approval, to the following suggestion of the General Board, viz: “So soon as the collections are large enough, it will be well for the Conference Board to make them the basis of procuring Sunday School libraries by offering to any school so much money, say one dollar for every two raised by the school for the purchase of Sunday School books.” It is our purpose to utilize this suggestion in the assistance of needy Sunday Schools when circumstances will permit. We call attention to the necessity of more thorough preparation on the part of teachers, the proper grading and classification of pupils, and to the plan of quarterly reviews written on blanks which can be obtained from the Publishing House.

We also commend the Home Department work and the *Home Department Quarterly*. We rejoice to note the continued improvement in our Sunday School literature and the marked increase in circulation of the same. As heretofore we heartily commend same to our people and especially urge the use of the *Magazine* by Superintendents, teachers, and advanced pupils. Indeed no preacher should be without the *Magazine*. We also commend the *Sunday School Visitor* to Superintendents.

In conclusion we ask that the thoughtful and prayerful attention of the members of this Conference be more than heretofore directed to the success of this great work, and we earnestly hope and pray for greater spiritual results during the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN E. CRAWFORD,  
For the Sunday School Board.



**Report of Treasurer of Sunday-School Board.**

Nov. 28, 1896.	To balance on hand last report.....	\$ 64 91
May 17, 1897.	Rec'd of Cameron Station.....	9 55
" 19, "	" Cedar Bayou (Alex Chapel)....	4 30
" 19, "	" " " Goose Creek .....	2 80
" 24, "	" Huntsville .....	10 00
" 24, "	" Oakwoods .....	9 50
June 8, "	" Shearn Church .....	20 00
" 8, "	" Conroe .....	5 00
" 8, "	" Davilla .....	8 80
" 8, "	" Cameron Circuit.....	7 15
" 14, "	" City Mission, Houston.....	2 45
" 15, "	" Stoneham .....	2 05
" 15, "	" Marlin.....	5 40
" 26, "	" Sealy Circuit.....	5 50
July 30, "	" Webberville Circuit.....	4 00
Aug. 5, "	" Angleton .....	3 05
" 25, "	" Personville Circuit.....	1 25
Dec. 2, "	" West End Mission.....	4 50
" 10, "	" Manchaca .....	2 35
" 10, "	" Pleasant Hill .....	2 93
" 10, "	" Dodge.....	2 35
" 10, "	" Hearne .....	3 35
" 10, "	" Washington St., Houston.....	1 45
" 10, "	" McDade .....	4 75
" 10, "	" Bremond and Reagan.....	8 00
" 10, "	" Madisonville .....	2 75
" 10, "	" McKee St., Houston .....	1 20
" 10, "	" Navasota .....	5 40
" 10, "	" Tabernacle, Houston .....	8 00
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		\$217 24

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1896.	Paid A. R. Gossard, E. 19th St., Austin, \$	27 20
Jan. 15, 1897.	Paid H. G. Williams, Pleasant Ridge...	3 50
June 10, "	" H. M. Sears, for McNeil .....	7 55
	Publishing minutes .....	20 00
	Parent S. S. Board 10 per cent .....	15 23
	Parent Board of Education, 10 per cent.	15 23
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		\$ 88 71
	Balance on hand.....	128 53
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		\$217 24

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 RECAPITULATION.

Balance on hand last report .....	\$ 64 91
Collections since last report .....	152 33
Paid out during last year .....	\$ 88 71
Balance on hand .....	128 53
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	\$217 24 \$217 24

Respectfully submitted,  
D. N. HARRIS, Treasurer.

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 Joint Board of Finance.

*To the Bishop and Members of The Texas Annual Conference:*

BRETHREN:—The Joint Board of Finance beg leave to report, that we have received from Mr. C. L. Spencer, Navasota, Texas, executor of the estate of Dr. John B. Moore, deceased, a bequest of \$40 to the orphans, widows and superannuated preachers of the Texas Annual Conference, M. E. Church, South.

According to the terms of the will, no one who is a member of any aid, or beneficiary society, is to receive any part of this bequest. This money is to be put at interest and only the interest used each year, the principal always remaining at interest.

Your Board recommend that the Conference accept the trust, and that the Treasurer of the Joint Board of Finance be instructed to invest this money and collect interest and pay same annually to the Joint Board of Finance.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. CAMPBELL, Chairman.

CHAS. A. HOOPER, Secretary.

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 Report No. 2, of Joint Board of Finance.

*To the Bishop and Members of the Texas Annual Conference:*

DEAR BRETHREN:—The amount of money coming into our hands for Conference claimants is as follows:

Balance on hand at last Conference.....	\$ 201 00
Amount received from Houston District.....	1102 95
Amount received from Austin District.....	745 80
Amount received from Brenham District.....	564 20
Amount received from Calvert District.....	526 15
Amount received from Huntsville District.....	521 35
Amount received from Preachers' Aid Board.....	227 20
Amount received from Publishing House.....	385 00
Amount received from Colvin Fund.....	13 63

Total.....\$4287 28

## DISBURSED AS FOLLOWS:

Paid claimants.....	\$4263 63
Contingent fund on hand.....	23 65
Total.....	<u>\$4287 28</u>

We have paid the Conference Claimants the following amounts:

	Conf. Fund	Colvin Fund
Robert Durham.....	\$ 25 00	\$ .73
Mattie Keith.....	50 00	.75
Mrs. Amanda Graves.....	75 00	.60
Mrs. Jane McGuire.....	25 00	.60
Mrs. J. W. B. Allen .....	50 00	.60
Mrs. Hannah Green.....	150 00	.60
Mrs. Thomas Whitworth.....	50 00	.60
Mrs. S. G. Wooldridge.....	100 00	.60
Mrs. Rebecca Keith.....	100 00	.60
Mrs. V. A. Windsor.....	150 00	.60
Mrs. L. J. Hinkle.....	200 00	.60
Mrs. C. F. Stacy.....	100 00	.60
Mrs. R. Alexander.....	100 00	.60
Mrs. Sue C. Kerr.....	175 00	.60
Mrs. R. J. Fisher.....	100 00	.60
Mrs. M. J. Burris.....	100 00	.60
Mrs. Alice Stovall.....	125 00	.60
Mrs. Julia A. Dashiell.....	75 00	.60
Mrs. Fatima Lemmons.....	150 00	.60
Mrs. S. E. Gober.....	150 00	.60
Mrs. J. W. Whipple .....	100 00	.60
Miss Sallie L. Keith.....	25 00	.75
Rev. F. A. McShan.....	300 00	
Rev. Wesley Smith.....	175 00	
Rev. W. G. Nelms.....	250 00	
Rev. J. H. Davidson.....	150 00	
Rev. W. K. Turner.....	250 00	
Rev. Gideon Powledge.....	125 00	
Rev. D. H. Linebaugh.....	75 00	
Rev. J. M. Wesson.....	300 00	
Rev. H. V. Philpott.....	300 00	
Rev. G. C. Stovall.....	150 00	

The amount assessed against the Conference for Bishops' Fund was \$1083, and was apportioned as follows:

	Assessed	Paid	Deficit
Houston District.....	\$269 00	\$257 50	\$11 50
Austin District.....	251 00	198 50	52 50
Brenham District.....	228 00	160 06	67 94
Calvert District.....	180 00	126 00	54 00
Huntsville District .....	155 00	125 50	29 50
Totals.....	\$1083 00	\$867 56	\$215 44

Bishops' Fund Disbursed as follows:

Paid Barbee & Smith, by W. W. Adickes, Treasurer.....	\$839 56
Remitted Barbee & Smith, by J. W. Harmon.....	13 00
Remitted Barbee & Smith, by J. W. Holt.....	15 00
Total.....	\$867 56

We have collected for expenses of delegates to the General Conference, the following amounts:

Houston District.....	\$82 50
Austin District.....	40 50
Brenham District.....	35 75
Calvert District.....	26 45
Huntsville District.....	23 50
Total.....	\$208 70

Paid Barbee & Smith, by W. W. Adickes, Treasurer, \$208 70

The balance of the assessment for the expenses of delegates to the General Conference not collected, is \$146.35. We apportion this amount equally among the Districts, assessing each District \$29.30, and we recommend that the presiding elders be requested to collect same by April 1, 1898, and remit to the Treasurer of the Joint Board of Finance.

The assessments for Bishops' Fund for the ensuing year is \$1110.40, and the assessment for the Texas Methodist Orphanage is \$600.

We apportion these assessments to the Districts as follows:

	Bishops	Orphanage
Houston District.....	\$278 00	\$140 00
Austin District.....	258 00	130 00
Brenham District.....	233 00	120 00
Calvert District.....	185 00	110 00
Huntsville District.....	157 40	100 00
Totals.....	\$1110 40	\$600 00

The assessments for Education, General Board of Education, and Paine and Lane Institutes, we apportioned to the Districts as follows:

	Education	General Board	P. and L.
Houston District.....	\$365 00	\$50 00	\$60 00
Austin District.....	350 00	45 00	55 00
Brenham District.....	350 00	35 00	45 00
Calvert District.....	225 00	30 00	45 00
Huntsville District.....	210 00	24 00	45 00
Totals.....	\$1500 00	\$184 00	\$250 00

In compliance with the report of the Editor of Minutes, adopted by the Conference, we assess the various Boards, for the publication of the minutes, as follows:

Board of Education.....	\$20 00
Sunday School Board.....	20 00
Board of Church Extension.....	30 00
Board of Missions.....	40 00

Total.....\$110 00

We recommend that the assessment for Conference Claimants be an amount equal to 8 per cent. on the assessed salaries of the preachers; and in connection with this report, we submit the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, That the preachers of the Texas Annual Conference be held responsible for an amount equal to eight per cent. of the salaries paid them, which sum shall be applied to the fund for Conference claimants.

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Conference be tendered to the officers of the Merchants & Planters National Bank of Bryan, for their courtesy and liberality in handling the funds of this board, and providing drafts and exchange free of charge.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. CAMPBELL, Chairman,  
W. W. ADICKES, Treasurer,  
C. A. HOOPER, Secretary.

### Report of the Board of Missions.

Notwithstanding the unusually hard financial year through which we have passed, the collections from charges will be a little better than last year. The Board considers this a fine mark of the loyalty of our people, and the faithfulness of our ministers. Many much needed appropriations were sought for to aid in important fields, that could not be granted in the amounts asked for. The Board thought it wise not to increase the assess-

ment on the Conference for domestic missions; hence the assessment was fixed at \$4250. The General Board of Missions assessed the same amount as last year, \$5550. The Board appropriated for our domestic fields \$2750, which we have appropriated as follows:

## HOUSTON DISTRICT.

Tabernacle, Houston.....	\$150 00
City Mission, Houston.....	100 00
West End, Galveston.....	200 00
Sandy Point.....	100 00
Dickinson .....	100 00
Rosenberg .....	100 00
El Campo.....	150 00
Total.....	<u>\$900 00</u>

## AUSTIN DISTRICT.

First Street, Austin.....	\$200 00
South Austin .....	250 00
Cypress Mission.....	100 00
Total.....	<u>\$550 00</u>

## BRENHAM DISTRICT.

Ben Arnold.....	\$150 00
Deanville.....	125 00
Total.....	<u>\$275 00</u>

## CALVERT DISTRICT.

Jewett .....	\$150 00
Personville .....	100 00
Franklin Mission.....	100 00
Chilton and Lott.....	100 00
Total.....	<u>\$450 00</u>

## HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT.

Millican.....	\$200 00
Hockley .....	150 00
Prairie Plains.....	125 00
Dodge .....	100 00
Total.....	<u>\$575 00</u>
Total for Conference.....	\$2750 00.

Assessments were distributed as last year, as follows:

	Foreign.	Domestic.
Houston District.....	\$1360 00	\$1080 00
Austin District.....	1230 00	970 00
Calvert District.....	1010 00	730 00
Brenham District.....	1000 00	800 00
Huntsville District .....	950 00	670 00

Totals.....	\$5550 00	\$4250 00
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[Signed]

J. B. SEARS, Secretary.

### Missionary Treasurer's Report.

#### FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Collected from pastoral charges.....	\$4159 78
Anniversary collection.....	15 55

Total.....	\$4175 33
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Sent to T. B. Holt, general treasurer.....	\$1843 45
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Sent general board per N. Y. exchange.....	2311 88
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Paid for Conference minutes.....	20 00
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Total.....	\$4175 33
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#### DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

Balance from last year.....	\$ 724 42
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Collected from pastoral charges.....	3238 92
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Sundries.....	15 25
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Anniversary collection.....	15 55
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Total.....	\$3994 14
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Paid out as per vouchers.....	3056 10
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Paid out for Conference minutes.....	20 00
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Balance on hand.....	918 04
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Total.....	\$3994 14	\$3994 14
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O. T. HOTCHKISS, Treas.

### Report of Editor of the Annual.

*To the President and Members of the Texas Annual Conference.*

BRETHREN:—Last year I published for the Conference 2000 copies of the Annual, at the cost of \$132.55, specified as follows:

Paid Printer.....	\$103 00	
“ Express Companies.....	18 95	
“ Postage and drayage.....	7 90	
“ Traveling expense.....	2 70	
		\$132 55
To pay this I had from the preceding year a balance of.....	\$ 2 05	
Received from various Boards.....	110 00	
“ “ Advertisements.....	10 00	122 05
Leaving a balance due me.....		\$ 10 50

To issue a like number for this year will require an appropriation equal to that of last year, and I recommend that the different Boards be assessed amounts equal to that of last year.

Respectfully,

D. H. HOTCHKISS.

Bryan, December 10, 1897.

### **The San Antonio Rescue Home.**

BRYAN, December 9, 1897.

*To the Bishop and Members of the Texas Conference.*

DEAR BRETHREN:—We, your committee appointed to consider the Rescue Home and work of the West Texas Conference referred to us by your body, beg leave to report as follows: We have carefully considered the question presented in the paper read before this body from the West Texas Conference, and heartily recommend the San Antonio Rescue Home to the preachers and people of our Conference. We will welcome into our midst any duly authorized agent of the Home who may come among us, and co-operate with such agent in efforts to sustain this work.

A. E. GOODWYN,  
GEO. A. LECLERE,  
E. S. SMITH.

### **Resolutions Concerning the German Work.**

WHEREAS, The German work in Texas has for nearly four years been placed in closer relation to the English speaking conferences in our State, by which opportunities are afforded to render them much needed and increased aid; and

WHEREAS, This new relation and the status of the German work are little understood by our people and preachers.

*Resolved*, First. That it is the sense of this Conference that



this work is very *important*; and that the evangelization of the Germans is vitally related to the future growth and prosperity of Methodism in the State of Texas.

Second. That we earnestly request every pastor of this Conference to acquaint himself thoroughly with this work and inform his people as opportunity affords, of the progress of this work among the Germans, and as pastors of the people, do what we can to enlist the sympathy of the people in its behalf.

Third. That it is our further belief that pastors can do a great work by visiting and cultivating English speaking German families within our charges.

J. B. COCHRAN,  
JOS. B. SEARS,  
JNO. E. GREEN.  
SETH WARD,  
G. H. COLLINS.

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#### Resolution of Thanks.

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Texas Annual Conference be expressed to the citizens of Bryan for their cordial hospitality; to the various churches of Bryan for their Christian fraternity; to the press for full reports of our daily proceedings; and to the various railroads for reduced rates to the seat of the Conference.

A. E. GOODWYN,  
W. D. BRADFIELD.

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## PART V.

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### Memoir.

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ISAAC G. JOHN, D. D.

As a part of this memoir we beg leave to read the following letter from Dr. John:

NASHVILLE, TENN., Nov. 21st, 1896.

*To the Bishop and Members of the Texas Annual Conference,  
Bastrop, Texas:*

DEAR BRETHREN: My health has improved since last year, but my physicians counsel that I should not venture alone so far.

I have greatly desired to meet the Conference at Bastrop. It is linked with sacred memories. I was ordained elder at its altar by Bishop Paine forty-five years ago, and was many years its pastor and presiding elder. We had glorious revivals within its walls, and triumphant victories at the camp grounds along the Colorado valley. I would gladly meet with remaining comrades at the present Conference, but am sure I will meet with many more when I am called to cross the river. As I may never answer roll call in my Conference again, may I be allowed to mention an incident that has profoundly impressed my ministerial life? At that time the following rule was in the Discipline. It has been stricken out, but I often think it should be again restored. It reads: "At each Annual Conference, those who are received on trial, or are admitted into full connection, shall be asked whether they are willing to devote themselves to the Missionary work; and a list of the names of all who are willing to do so, shall be taken and reported to the secretary of the Mission Board; and all such shall be considered as ready and willing to be employed as Missionaries, whenever called for by any one of the bishops." I was preparing for deacons orders and this question before the Conference was, to me, a matter of profound concern. The General Conference in 1846, without a dissenting voice had decided to enter the work of foreign missions, and China had been chosen as the field. Taylor and Jenkins had been accepted. When Bishop Andrews preached his sermon on the occasion of their ordination as elders, he closed with deep regret that, "instead of a forlorn hope of two missionaries to be sent from the Southern Methodist church, it was not in his power to send a band of fifty faithful men to the benighted

millions of the Flowery Kingdom." Why should I not answer this call? With earnest prayer I re-examined the commission of our Lord. "The field was the world." Without sufficient reason to stay, I must go.

In those days our presiding elders were the counselors of the younger preachers, and I went to Brother Alexander for advice. He listened thoughtfully and fully endorsed the breadth of the great commission, but said: "Two years ago the Conference doubted whether it could receive you on trial, as but few expected you would live two years. Bishop Capers said, 'Young preachers are needed in this new land. This candidate is willing to go. He may do much work in two years. We had better accept him.' These words decided your admission. Now the case is different. For the foreign field, men of feeble health are never accepted. It is useless for you to volunteer, for Bishop Andrew is calling only for vigorous men."

Several times since then I have felt that less than two years of labor seemed all that was allowed me, and yet I still remain in the ranks, until Bro. Wesson and myself alone linger in the Texas Conference roll, while those who received appointments from Bishop Capers have answered the roll call in heaven.

If spared another year, I will have ranked effective a half century in the Texas Conference. I will be grateful if the Conference will still leave me on the effective list.

May the grace of God rest on the Bishop and Conference, and bless each charge the coming year.

Yours in Christ,

I. G. JOHN.

This letter reveals the mainspring of Dr. John's life-work. If he could not go to the heathen with the gospel, he could work at home for those who could go, and this he did with a zeal that sought no rest, and a faith that knew no wavering. God delights to honor such persistent effort and unyielding faith in His service, and has so honored Dr. John.

Isaac G. John, D. D., was born in Brookville, Ind., January 14, 1827. He was converted in Wesley Chapel, in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1841, under the ministry of Rev. E. W. Sehon, D. D. He united with the M. E. Church in Cincinnati in 1841, placing his membership in Wesley Chapel, at whose altar he was converted. He came to Texas in 1845, and located in Galveston, where he was licensed to preach in 1847, by Chancy Richardson.

He was admitted on trial in the Texas Conference at Chappell Hill in the autumn of 1847, Bishop Capers presiding, and ordained deacon by Bishop Paine in 1849 in Seguin, and an elder by Bishop Paine in 1852 in Bastrop, having been elected to that office the year before. Dr. John began and ended his itinerant career as a member of the Texas Conference.

His appointments were as follows: Richmond circuit, 1848; Ruttersville circuit, 1849; Washington circuit, 1850-1; Bastrop station, 1852-3; Bastrop circuit, 1854; Lockhart circuit, 1855; Bastrop Station, 1856; Bible agent, 1857; Presiding Elder of Austin district, 1858; Bible agent, 1859-60; Presiding Elder of Waco district, 1861; Presiding Elder of LaGrange district, 1862-3; and Presiding Elder of Austin district, 1864-65-66. He was elected editor of the *Texas Christian Advocate* in 1866, in which position he labored until the close of 1884—eighteen years of heroic effort, crowned with brilliant success. He was appointed to Huntsville station in 1885, where he remained until May, 1886, at which time, in Richmond, Va., he was elected Missionary Secretary by the General Conference. Dr. John served the church as a member of the Board of Missions for twelve years—from 1874 to 1886; and as Missionary Secretary eight years—from 1886 to 1894. From 1894 until the time of his death he was connected with the work of the Board of Missions, chiefly as the editor of our missionary periodicals. He was elected a member of the General Conference in 1866, 1870, 1874, 1878, 1886 and 1890. He was a reserve delegate in 1882 and in 1894.

During the period of his editorship of the *Texas Christian Advocate* he served the following charges: Ryland Chapel, in Galveston, in 1870; Presiding Elder of the Galveston district in 1874-5; St. James Church, Galveston, in 1876-7.

Dr. John was a thoroughly devout man, and wholly consecrated to the service of God; a man of one work, ready and prepared for any field to which the church might call him. The Christian life within him developed normally, passing on from intellectual stages through all the intermediate degrees of expansion until at last it ripened into a rich and beautiful maturity. For a half century his character was unchallenged. He was a man of clean lips and a pure heart. His religion made and kept him happy. Amiability and cheerfulness were conspicuous traits in his character. He deserved and possessed many friends whose devotion to him was far from ordinary. Duty was his life-long watchword, and fidelity to that duty was most conspicuous in all his life work. He was a good man and true, full of faith and the Holy Ghost.

Dr. John's long career as an itinerant Methodist preacher was a brilliant success. His endowments and attainments were great; and by wise and diligent use of his talents he qualified himself for large and abundant usefulness. He reached a position of eminence, and all through life wielded a powerful influence for good. In the early days of his ministry, it was said "that mission work in Texas was bounded on the north by the Indian Territory, on the east by Arkansas and Louisiana, on the south by the gulf of Mexico, and on the west by the provi-

dence of God." When he began his itinerant career there was in this vast territory about five thousand Methodists; today there are two hundred thousand. Then, there was one weak Conference; now, there are five strong American Conferences, one German, and one Mexican Conference. No man has done more to achieve these grand results than Dr. John.

Twice Dr. John had his campmeetings broken up by Indian raids. He saw men and women converted at the mourner's bench while armed sentinels were guarding the camp. In the early "fifties" he witnessed the conversion of the first Mexican Methodist. Poor pay, hard fare, rough roads, and often no roads, swimming dangerous streams, sleeping in crowded cabins, and sometimes on the prairie or in the woods, saluted by the scream of the panther or the howl of the wolf. The preacher was expected to take his share in defending the settlement against Indians. To wear a revolver was no reflection on his piety. He sometimes found more guns than hymn books in his congregation.

All these things, and many more like them, came in Dr. John's early experience as an itinerant preacher. There were two sources of relief—duty done, and the joyous, hearty and never-failing hospitality of the "Old Texans"—and Dr. John enjoyed a large measure of both these. No man has done more than Dr. John to bring about the changed state of things as we now enjoy them. He stamped with the impress of his fine character the Methodism of Texas, and may justly be numbered with the fathers of Texas Methodism.

As a preacher he was clear, logical and often eloquent; as a writer his style was easy, fluent and forcible; as a church officer he was diligent, faithful and true. No interest ever suffered in his hands. In doing the work assigned to him by the church he was happy and joyous, and left a track of light wherever he went. Stainless in his personal life, and efficient in his official administration, he bequeaths to his family and friends the legacy of a good name, and to the church the memory of a good example and a well-spent life.

The honorable positions which he held show the high esteem in which he was held by his brethren. He labored with the utmost fidelity to preserve and promote the sacred interests entrusted to his hands. Nor did he labor in vain. The blessing of God was upon his toil, and fruitage of his consecrated and zealous life will enrich the church for years to come. "A prince and a great man has fallen." The church has lost a great and good man; we have lost a friend.

In 1852 Dr. John was married in Bastrop County to Miss Ruth A. Eblon. Seven children blessed their union, six of whom survive him. A few years after the death of his first wife, he married Mrs. Vaughn, of Gallatin, Tenn., who survives him.

The Rev. Isaac G. John, D. D., died in Nashville, Tenn., March 17, 1897. He passed away painlessly and in perfect peace. Thus vanishes from the earthly arena a faithful and efficient soldier of the cross.

On March 20, the sons of Dr. John left Nashville with the remains, for Georgetown, Texas, where a funeral service was held in the Methodist Church, March 23, conducted by the Rev. S. P. Wright. A very large congregation came to pay tribute to the memory of one whom they all loved. Dr. John R. Allen read a hymn, Dr. W. M. Hayes led in prayer, Dr. J. H. McLean read a deeply interesting paper on the life and labors of Dr. John, and feeling addresses were delivered by Dr. E. S. Smith, and the Revs. O. T. Hotchkiss and C. H. Brooks, after which the remains were taken in charge by the Masonic Lodge and buried with Masonic honors, in Georgetown cemetery. Thus end the life and labors of a great and good man. Truly may we sing:

"Servant of God, well done!  
Rest from thy loved employ;  
The battle fought, the victory won,  
Enter thy Master's joy."

[Lack of space necessitated the elimination from the Memoir, of some resolutions—already published in the church papers—passed by a meeting of ministers and laymen of Nashville, and by the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions.—Editor.]

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## REGISTER AND DIRECTORY.

ARRANGED ALPHABETICALLY.

NAME	WHEN AND HOW RECEIVED.			POSTOFFICE
	Admitted on Trial	Transfer	Re-ad- mitted	
Adams, James M.....	1887	.....	.....	Alvin.
Adams, Robert W.....	1892	.....	.....	Willis.
Allen, Fred L.....	.....	1866	.....	Rockdale.
Allen, Beverly W.....	1894	.....	.....	Nashville, Tenn
Anderson, A. J.....	.....	1888	.....	Conroe.
Blake, T. W.....	1859	.....	.....	Plantersville.
Bracewell, W. C.....	1892	.....	.....	Lyons.
Bradfield, W. D.....	.....	1896	.....	Galveston.
Briggs, Richard J.....	.....	1896	.....	Austin.
Brinson, W. F.....	1885	.....	.....	Weimar.
Brooks, Calvin H.....	.....	.....	1878	Elgin.
Brooks, William H.....	1888	.....	.....	Jewett.
Brown, Samuel P.....	1885	.....	.....	Rosebud.
Bryce, Ira M.....	.....	1893	.....	Bastrop.
Cain, Thomas R.....	1891	.....	.....	Ad Hall.
Callaway, John J.....	1891	.....	.....	Matagorda.
Campbell, Willie R.....	1894	.....	.....	Webberville.
Chambers, S. F.....	.....	1894	.....	Navasota.
Cochran, John B.....	1886	.....	.....	Bryan.
Collins, George H.....	1885	.....	.....	La Grange.
Crutchfield, J. M.....	.....	1895	.....	Davilla.
Cullen, James W.....	.....	1893	.....	Chilton.
Daniel, Melodius F.....	1893	.....	.....	Giddings.
Davidson, John H.....	.....	1853	.....	Galveston.
Davis, Louis P.....	1887	.....	.....	Cedar Bayou.
Farrington, C. L.....	.....	1870	.....	Sealy.
Favre, F. O.....	.....	1885	.....	Franklin.
Garrett, Clyde B.....	1894	.....	.....	Oak woods.
Gaskins, W. D.....	.....	1896	.....	Fiskville.
Goodwyn, Alexander E.....	.....	1877	.....	Flatonia.
Gordon, Ira B.....	1890	.....	.....	Dodge.
Graves, Thomas B.....	1882	.....	.....	Smithville.
Green, John E.....	1883	.....	.....	Columbus.
Guess, B. J.....	.....	.....	1894	Patterson.
Hammond, Fiske E.....	.....	1895	.....	Manor.
Harmon, John W.....	1888	.....	.....	Bremond.



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	Admitted on Trial	Transfer	Re-admitted	
Hart, H. T.....	1885			Durango.
Haynie, Henry M.....	1885			Chappell Hill.
Hocutt, Enon G.....	1882			Austin.
Holt, John W.....		1892		Fairfield.
Hooper, Charles A.....	1887			Houston.
Horn, J. W.....		1888		Houston.
Horner, W. W.....		1892		Madisonville.
Hotchkiss, Oscar T.....	1875			Houston.
Hotchkiss, DeWitt H.....	1889			Houston.
Kelly, J. W.....	1877			Manchaca.
Kilgore, James.....	1892			Calvert.
Kimbler, Henry R.....	1894			Hockley.
LeClere, George A.....		1892		Calvert.
Lindsey, Marion L.....	1894			Calvert.
Linebaugh, D. H.....		1882		Mt. Pleasant.
Massey, Jesse L.....		1892		Huntsville.
McDonald, W. T.....	1890			Winchester.
McIver, John A.....		1895		Anderson.
McLarty, Chas. U.....	1895			Stoneham.
McMahan, John W.....	1888			Houston.
McShan, F. A.....		1857		Rockdale.
Melugin, W. T.....		1897		Lexington.
Mickle, J. C.....	1878			Bryan.
Moore, J. C.....	1891			Milano.
Morgan, Samuel H.....	1889			Hempstead.
Murray, J. R.....	1892			Wharton.
Myers, Erastus M.....	1891			Prairie Plains.
Nelms, William G.....	1849			Lorena.
Newsom, Ernest P.....	1894			Brenham.
Nunn, R. E.....		1897		McDade.
Oxley, C. J.....		1897		Galveston.
Phair, George H.....	1874			Hearne.
Philpott, H. V.....		1893		College Station.
Powledge, Gideon.....	1882			Prairie Plains.
Potts, Edmund A.....	1894			Ben Arnold.
Russell, J. L.....			1894	Maysfield.
Sandel, G. S.....	1862			Millican.
Sears, Henry M.....		1882		Austin.
Sears, Joseph B.....		1883		Cameron.
Shettles, E. L.....	1891			Eagle Lake.
Simpson, Charles E.....	1892			Kosse.
Skinner, J. P.....	1891			Bellville.

NAME	WHEN AND HOW RECEIVED.			POSTOFFICE
	Admitted on Trial	Transfer	Re-admitted	
Smith, E. S.....		1875		Austin.
Smith, Wesley.....		1879		Abilene.
Solomon, Emmett W.....		1888		Georgetown.
Stewart, John C.....	1893			Rosenberg.
Stovall, George C.....	1885			Memphis, Tenn
Thomas, S. W.....		1893		Richmond.
Thompson, Columbus M.....	1892			Centreville.
Thompson, John W.....	1892			Pleasant Hill.
Turner, W. K.....with ceded ter'y,		1882		Franklin.
Ward, Seth.....with ceded ter'y,		1882		Houston.
Wesson, James M.....	1843			Navasota.
Williams, Horace G.....	1889			Angleton.
Williford, Thomas S.....	1890			Columbia.
Willis, Hubert C.....	1892			Caldwell.
Woolsey, Robert T.....			1892	Cold Springs.
Wootton, Weems.....			1876	Marlin.
Yeats, J. L.....	1893			Dickinson.
ON TRIAL.				
Bergin, Jno. W.....	1897			El Campo.
Cameron, Jno. C.....	1897			Cedar Creek.
Diehl, M. E.....	1897			Austin.
Keith, Ellie C.....	1895			Roger's Prairie.
Powell, Nathan.....	1897			Galveston.
Ray, George R.....	1896			Personville.
Washburn, Willis E.....	1896			Dime Box.
Warlick, Jno. R.....	1897			Sandy Point.

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																										Paid	Paid
Shearn.....	1	669	641	30	63	65	12	1	1	1	26000 00			34000 00	225 00	1	105	1	33	375	214 53	50 00	20 00	282 11	567 64	33 60	
Tabernacle.....	1	217	194	19	44	40	16	4	1	1	7250 00					1	53	1	23	143	105 66	35 18	8 00	148 84	1 00		
Washington St.....	1	371	390	23	23	65	9	10	1	1	5000 00	1	2000 00	1000 00	380 00	3	67	1	23	200	63 00	21 00	1 45	85 45	1 00		
McKee St.....	1	286	298	9	30	47	29	5	1	1	4400 00			600 00	32 45	3	32	1	13	376	122 13	21 68	1 20	145 06	1 00		
City Mission.....	1	136	107	20	19	10	12	10	1	1	3400 00				414 90	1	19	1	13	139	90 11	50 00	12 45	154 56	1 00		
St. John's.....	3	319	250	24	77	32	3	10	1	1	40000 00			100 00		1	60	1	24	335	252 24	55 00	5 40	370 97	20 65		
St. James'.....	1	198	178	3	26	9	8	3	1	1	20000 00	1	2500 00		200 00	1	100	1	13	220	210 62	19 05	1 10	330 77	10 00		
West End.....	1	120	130	6	9	29	4	4	1	1	3500 00					1	30	1	10	84	81 00	19 80	4 50	105 30	75	6 00	
Richmond.....	1	138	116	9	23	10	1	4	1	1	2500 00	1	1000 00		400 00	1	43	1	7	50	25 00	12 00	4 50	41 50	1 00	2 50	
Alvin.....	9	294	290	7	48	51	8	1	3	3	1200 00	1	600 00		230 00	2	90	1	16	135	56 53	32 87		89 40	1 00		
Wharton & H.....	1	203	140	15	73	9	2	3	3	3	4500 00	1	120 00		733 00			3	20	150	75 00			10 00	85 00	1 00	
Columbia & B.....	2	150	125	7	7	9	9	3	3	3	2500 00	1	900 00		23 00	1	31	2	14	77	60 00	33 00	23 25	116 25	1 00		
Patterson.....	2	269	241	40	16	19	13	11	3	3	3550 00	1	400 00	100 00	250 00	4	81	3	26	221	117 40	14 90		132 30	1 00	5 00	
Cedar Bayou.....	2	259	209	46	16	12	20	22	5	2	2200 00	1	1000 00		900 00	2	50	4	30	110	75 00	15 00	7 20	97 20	1 00		
Matagorda*.....	1	223	192	2	27	4	4	4	4	4	3650 00	1	850 00		346 22	2	61	3	12	105	33 65		3 00	36 65	3 00		
Angleton.....	2	364	110		288	6			9	8	10000 00	1	650 00		368 95	3	120	5	31	210	80 00	8 00	5 60	93 60	2 50		
Dickinson.....	2	221	200	27				3	5	2	2200 00	1	400 00		175 00	1	30	3	21	198	68 76	6 00	1 50	76 26	1 00	3 25	
Rosenberg.....	1	165	120	21	28	5		8	6	2	750 00				450 00			3	15	12	15 00			15 00	1 00		
TOTAL.....	30	4602	3961	308	808	444	168	100	51	37	\$142600 00	11	\$ 10420 00	\$35800 00	\$5128 52	28	972	39	358	3140	\$1745 68	\$393 48	\$62 90	\$389 69	\$2591 75	\$2 50	16 75

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	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	P'd	Paid	Paid		
Shearn.....	\$ 425 00	\$ 425 00	\$2500 00	\$2500 00	\$55 00	\$55 00	\$ 200 00	\$ 203 00	\$ 277 00	\$ 280 00	\$ 219 00	\$ 220 00	\$ 125 00	\$ 125 00	\$ 75 00	\$ 75 00	\$10 00	\$12 00	\$31 60	\$732 64	\$ 6350 96
Tabernacle.....	110 00	79 32	950 00	741 82	14 00	14 00	76 00	76 00	68 00	68 00	56 75	56 75	32 50	32 50	19 25	19 25	2 50	3 00	7 25	113 66	1216 55
Washington St.....	125 00	108 00	900 00	800 00	16 00	16 00	72 00	72 00	81 50	81 50	64 50	64 50	37 00	37 00	21 50	21 50	3 00	3 50	8 00	584 45	1797 45
McKee St.....	125 00	125 00	850 00	850 00	14 00	14 00	68 00	68 00	81 50	81 50	64 50	64 50	37 00	37 00	21 50	21 50	3 00	2 50	8 00	340 43	1616 43
City Mission.....	37 50	37 50	245 00	250 50	4 75	4 75	20 00	20 00	25 00	25 00	20 00	20 00	11 00	11 00	7 50	7 50	1 00	1 50	6 05	69 21	978 57
St. John's.....	220 00	220 00	1500 00	1500 00	28 50	28 50	120 00	120 00	140 00	140 00	115 00	115 00	62 00	62 00	37 50	37 50	5 00	6 00	14 00	402 90	2671 55
St. James'.....	150 00	138 80	900 00	831 65	19 00	19 00	72 00	55 00	97 00	35 00	77 00	67 00	44 50	16 00	26 00	10 00	3 75	4 00	10 00	411 77	1604 22
West End.....	85 00	85 00	500 00	500 00	11 00	10 00	40 00	37 75	55 00	48 00	43 75	36 00	25 00	21 00	14 75	12 75	1 50	2 00	5 50	85 50	851 75
Richmond.....	125 00	125 00	800 00	800 00	16 00	16 00	64 00	64 00	81 50	81 50	64 50	64 50	37 00	37 00	21 50	21 00	3 00	3 50		429 50	1646 00
Alvin.....	80 00	62 15	600 00	466 00	10 00	10 00	48 00	48 00	52 00	57 00	40 00	40 00	23 50	23 50	13 75	13 75	1 90	2 50	5 50	286 53	1020 33
Wharton & H.....	90 00	90 00	600 00	600 00	11 50	10 00	48 00	46 00	58 25	35 25	46 25	46 25	26 50	10 00	15 75		2 50	2 75	6 75	106 25	1046 75
Columbia & B.....	100 00	86 85	700 00	607 90	13 00	13 00	56 00	56 00	65 00	65 00	51 50	51 50	30 00	30 00	17 25	17 25	2 50	2 75	6 75	106 25	1046 75
Patterson.....	85 00	85 00	575 00	575 00	11 00	11 00	46 00	46 00	55 00	55 00	43 75	43 75	25 00	25 00	14 75	14 75	2 00	2 50	27 75	361 40	1255 15
Cedar Bayou.....	80 00	77 50	575 00	557 35	10 00	10 00	46 00	46 00	52 00	52 00	40 00	40 00	23 50	23 50	13 75	13 75	1 90	2 50	8 80	1025 70	1760 00
Matagorda.....	80 00	74 00	600 00	552 55	10 00	6 00	48 00	40 00	54 00	54 00	40 00	40 00	23 50	10 00	13 75	6 00			5 50	382 87	1173 87
Angleton.....	85 00	61 00	750 00	538 70	11 00	8 00	60 00	45 00	55 00	47 00	43 75	43 75	25 00	20 00	14 75	10 00	1 00	2 00	6 00	62 50	1302 00
Dickinson.....	65 00	45 25	550 00	382 70	8 25	8 25	44 00	43 20	42 00	42 00	33 50	33 50	20 00	20 00	11 25	11 25	1 50	1 00	5 60	843 76	843 76
Rosenberg.....	32 50	32 50	212 50	212 50	4 00	4 00	17 00		20 50	20 50	16 25	16 25	10 00	10 00	5 50	5 50	1 00	1 00	2 00	465 00	788 25
TOTAL.....	\$2100 00	\$1957 87	14307 50	13266 67	267 00	257 50	\$1145 00	\$ 985 95	\$1360 25	\$1268 25	\$1080 00	\$ 963 25	\$ 618 00	\$ 550 50	\$ 365 00	\$ 318 25	\$41 55	\$52 25	164 30	6923 57	\$ 29582 09

\* 2 colored members in Matagorda charge.

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																										Paid	Paid
10th St., Austin.	1	585	675	97	36	223	8	51	1	1	\$ 20000 00	1	\$ 2500 00	\$ 500 00	\$ 506 47	1	70	1	40	345	\$ 154 59	\$ 28 00			\$ 182 59	\$	28 00
Hotchkiss M.....	1	232	183	14	50	19		7	1	1	3750 00				450 00		45	1	36	226	114 00			114 00	4 00		8 48
1st St., Austin	1	175	166	46	26	63	33	21	1	1	1500 00					1	20	1	13	101	32 00	12 00		44 00		4 00	
Manchaca .....	1	333	320	27	10	54	6	10	4	2	2600 00	1	500 00		25 00			1	10	75	25 00		2 40	27 40		2 40	
Merriltown Cir.		161	208	23	3	73		7			1400 00		500 00	700 00	799 50			2	12	72	16 20			16 20	1 00	1 00	
Manor .....	1	218	164	46	8		3	23	1	1	2500 00	1	1725 00	90 00		1	35	1	8	66	27 00	7 00		34 00			
Webberville Cir	1	215	226	16	8	35	5	11	5	3	2500 00	1	800 00	200 00	46 00			4	16	125	20 00		4 00	11 00	35 00		3 00
Elgin .....	1	190	134	43	19	6	5	21	2	1	1000 00	1	1000 00	250 00	20 55	1	56	1	8	76		14 35		14 35	3 00		
McDade .....	3	206	217	5	15	31	3	4	4	3	2700 00	1	400 00		232 61			2	11	62	16 00	4 55	4 75	25 30	2 00	1 50	
Bastrop .....	1	144	156		4	16	4		1	1	5500 00	1	2600 00		105 00	2	25	1	13	85	35 25			35 25	7 00		
Cedar Creek C.	1	193	146	10	32	15	11	7	5	1	300 00			140 00			4	13	125	32 30			11 90	44 20			
Smithville.....	1	168	128	40					1	1	2750 00	1	800 00			1	45	1	11	160							
Winchester.....	1	369	347	48	2	28	6	19	5	5	3900 00	1	800 00		25 00	1	15	4	30	140	15 00			15 00	1 50		
La Grange.....	1	216	212	26	5	27	6	12	1	1	5000 00	1	2500 00		32 00	1	20	1	16	90	62 38	14 95		72 33	3 00		
Columbus.....	1	210	206	7	23	26	3	5	1	2	5335 75	1	800 00	72 25	4650 00	2	50	1	17	100	60 65	14 80		75 45	4 00		
Eagle Lake.....	1	107	74	20	29	16	1		3	1	500 00	1	1000 00		31 35	1	33	1	15	78	22 05		4 40	26 45	3 00		
Weimar and O.....	1	279	252	9	26	8	9	6	2	1	2000 00	1	600 00		141 00	2	40	2	21	132	50 00			50 00	5 00	2 40	
Flatonia .....	1	261	249	3	28	19		2	1	1	3000 00	1	1500 00		73 00	1	68	1	15	150	78 00	23 05		101 05	7 00	4 20	
TOTAL.....	19	4262	4187	480	354	864	103	214	38	29	\$ 66235 75	15	\$ 18025 00	\$ 1952 25	\$ 7137 48	16	522	32	305	2208	\$ 760 42	118 70	\$ 11 15	\$ 27 30	\$ 917 57	\$ 40 50	\$ 54 98

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	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	As'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	P'd	Paid	Paid		
10th St., Austin.	\$ 313 00	\$ 313 00	\$2000 00	\$2000 00	\$40 00	\$40 00	\$ 160 00	\$ 160 00	\$ 216 00	\$ 170 00	\$ 170 00	\$ 100 00	\$ 85 00	\$ 25 00	\$ 62 00	\$ 13 00				1125 34	\$ 3974 34
Hotchkiss M.....	94 00	94 00	600 00	600 00	13 00	13 00	48 00	48 00	65 00	65 00	52 00	52 00	25 00	25 00	23 00	23 00			7 00	663 95	1610 88
1st St., Austin...	70 00	70 00	450 00	450 00	10 00	6 00	36 00	30 00	44 00	44 00	34 00	34 00	17 00	8 00	14 00	7 00			5 00	48 60	706 60
Merriltown Cir.....	66 00	52 90	400 00	316 00	9 00	4 00	32 00	19 85	44 00	20 00	34 00	10 00	17 00	4 00	12 00	3 00			6 15	815 70	1253 60
Manor.....	94 00	70 50	600 00	450 00	13 00		48 00		65 00	65 00	52 00	52 00	25 00		21 00				7 00	250 00	894 50
Elgin.....	78 00	68 50	500 00	441 05	10 00	10 00	40 00	20 00	49 00	30 00	38 00	20 00	19 00	10 00	14 00	8 10	2 00	2 00		20 55	635 20
Bastrop.....	141 00	141 00	800 00	800 00	20 00	20 00	64 00	64 00	97 00	97 00	77 00	77 00	38 00	38 00	29 00	29 00	3 00	5 00	10 00	220 00	1576 25
La Grange.....	156 00	124 00	1000 00	800 00	15 00	12 50	64 00	64 00	75 00	62 50	60 00	50 00	24 00	13 50	23 00	13 00			7 00	94 30	1243 30
Smithville.....	78 00																				
Columbus.....	110 00	85 75	700 00	558 75	13 00	13 00	56 00	43 00	65 00	30 00	51 00	24 00	25 00		21 00				7 00	4940 15	5705 65
Flatonia.....	118 00	118 00	800 00	800 00	20 00	20 00	64 00	61 00	97 00	97 00	77 00	77 00	38 00	38 00	29 00	29 00	3 00	8 00	10 00	252 75	1524 95
Eagle Lake.....	70 00	59 60	500 00	402 55	10 00	10 00	40 00	40 00	44 00	44 00	34 00	34 00	17 00		12 00	12 00	2 00	2 00	5 00	57 80	671 95
Weimar and O.....	101 00	96 10	644 00	600 80	15 00	15 00	50 50	50 50	75 00	75 00	60 00	60 00	25 00	25 00	23 00	23 00		3 00	10 00	141 00	1105 90
Webberville C.....	94 00	87 20	525 00	500 15	11 00	11 00	42 00	42 00	54 00	54 00	43 00	43 00	20 00	20 00	19 00	19 00			17 00	237 30	1033 65
Winchester.....	86 00	60 20	600 00	429 25	11 00	5 00	48 00	24 00	54 00	27 00	43 00	21 50	20 00	10 00	16 00	8 00	1 00	1 00	3 00	40 00	630 95
Manchaca.....	76 00	76 00	424 00	450 00	10 00	7 00	32 00	24 00	49 00	35 00	37 00	25 00	15 00	7 00	14 00	7 00				52 40	685 80
McDade.....	58 00	48 65	342 00	289 90	9 00	7 00	27 36	25 00	44 00	40 00	34 00	29 70	16 00	10 00	12 00	6 00		1 00	5 00	253 36	719 31
Cedar Creek C.....	47 00	30 50	263 00	172 90	5 00	5 00	21 00	20 00	28 00	25 00	21 00	18 00	8 00	5 00	7 00	4 00				44 00	324 40
TOTAL.....	\$1850 00	\$1595 90	11118 00	10057 35	234 00	198 50	\$ 872 86	\$ 738 35	\$1165 00	\$ 980 50	\$ 917 00	\$ 727 20	\$ 434 00	\$ 238 50	\$ 351 00	\$ 204 10	\$11 00	\$22 00	\$99 15	9257 20	\$ 24896 23

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																										Paid	Paid
Brenham.....	2	321	355	14	2	50	5	6	1	1	21500 00	1	3500 00	150 00	150 00	1	65	1	20	174	102 23	25 00			127 23	\$ 10 50	\$ 12 00
Chappell Hill...	1	191	170	27	2	8		17	1	1	3000 00	1	1000 00	35000 00	120 00	1	35	1	10	92	17 05	15 00		20 19	52 24	4 00	5 00
Giddings.....		174	187		3	16	1		3	2	2200 00	1	1000 00	200 00	1000 00				17	120	33 55			33 55	2 00		
Lyons.....	2	192	192	8	4	12	6	3	2	2	1500 00	1	800 00		620 70			2	12	80	10 00		2 00	12 00			
Cameron.....	2	300	305	5	18	28	4	2	1	1	3000 00	1	3000 00		140 00	1	45	1	25	160	65 90	20 00	9 55	18 00	113 45	8 60	
Cameron Cir....	1	523	393	65	85	20	43	47	5	2	1500 00	1	450 00		150 00			2	6	60	5 60		7 15	50 00	62 75		
Caldwell.....	1	175	175	3	6	9	5	2	1	1	5000 00	1	1750 00		115 70			1	14	90	22 00	82 40		20 00	124 40	3 00	50
Rockdale.....	2	152	131	3	26	8	10		1	1	4000 00	1	1500 00		301 75	1	30	1	11	92	65 97	45 00			110 97		1 50
Maysfield.....	2	253	241	5	18	11	3	3	3	1	1500 00	1	600 00	200 00			2	46	2	15	110			20 00	3 00		
Lexington.....	2	325	325	21	19	40	12	17	4	3	3600 00	1	525 00		362 00			3	15	126	8 00			8 00		1 00	
Bellville.....	2	280	288	13		21	25	6	4	3	4500 00	1	1100 00	2000 00	110 50	1	35	4	20	200	20 00	10 55			30 55		3 20
Deanville.....		180	180							2	500 00																
Davilla.....	7	410	415	28	12	45	22	12	6	3	2000 00	1	500 00	1200 00	100 00			3	18	160	8 00		10 80	18 80		2 00	
Sealy.....	1	200	264	20	4	81	6	9	3	2	3000 00	1	1400 00		300 00	1	30	3	20	185	40 00	3 80	60 00	103 80	2 00		
Milano.....	2	650	617	40	13	23	20	30	6	6	4500 00	1	600 00	600 00	200 00			4	25	200	50 00			50 00			
Pleasant Hill....	2	360	342	43	20	45	23	21	5	3	2700 00	1	350 00		130 00			4	33	173	25 84		2 93	28 77	1 00		
Ben Arnold.....	3	135	119	7	28	19	7	7		2	700 00	1	350 00		60 00			3	10	65							
TOTAL.....	25	4821	4699	302	260	429	192	182	46	36	\$ 64700 00	16	\$ 18425 00	\$ 39200 00	\$ 4260 65	8	271	37	271	2087	\$ 494 14	\$ 201 75	\$ 332 53	\$ 168 19	\$ 896 51	\$ 34 10	\$ 25 20

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	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	P'd	Paid	Paid		
Brenham.....	\$ 190 00	\$ 190 00	\$1200 00	\$1200 00	\$31 92	\$31 92	\$ 96 00	\$ 96 00	\$ 140 00	\$ 140 00	\$ 112 00	\$ 112 00	\$ 53 20	\$ 53 20	\$ 49 00	\$ 49 00	\$ 4 90	\$ 6 30	\$20 00	\$150 00	\$ 2075 82
Chappell Hill ...	130 00	111 95	600 00	517 05	15 96	15 96	41 35	41 35	70 00	70 00	56 00	56 00	26 60	17 00	26 95	13 69	.....	4 00	6 00	479 86	1241 86
Giddings.....	70 00	70 00	500 00	500 00	13 17	8 50	40 00	40 00	57 80	20 50	46 24	16 00	21 19	8 00	20 23	6 00	.....	1 00	6 10	1033 50	1711 65
Lyons.....	63 50	53 00	450 00	389 90	10 94	5 00	36 05	26 00	48 00	10 00	33 50	6 50	18 24	.....	18 91	.....	.....	.....	5 80	647 70	1142 90
Cameron.....	160 00	160 00	1200 00	1200 00	26 20	26 20	96 00	96 00	105 20	105 20	84 15	84 15	43 70	43 70	40 20	40 20	4 00	5 15	13 80	230 00	2018 85
Cameron Cir.....	50 00	33 32	500 00	333 20	10 15	.....	40 00	20 00	46 88	5 00	37 00	6 00	17 25	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00	212 75	691 27
Caldwell.....	70 00	58 00	600 00	500 00	13 17	10 00	40 00	40 00	57 80	57 80	46 24	46 24	21 96	18 00	20 23	18 00	2 00	2 00	.....	157 70	908 25
Rockdale.....	90 00	77 80	800 00	700 00	17 00	14 00	64 00	56 00	75 00	75 00	60 00	45 00	28 50	28 50	26 25	10 00	.....	2 00	9 00	367 72	1386 52
Maysfield.....	50 00	30 05	500 00	300 58	10 00	6 50	40 00	18 50	40 40	8 00	32 32	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 85	420 00	803 48
Lexington.....	50 00	28 50	400 00	200 37	9 61	5 00	32 00	16 00	43 00	2 00	34 40	2 00	17 28	2 00	15 89	2 00	.....	.....	.....	370 00	628 87
Bellville.....	50 00	33 85	475 00	321 75	11 85	8 00	38 00	25 75	52 00	25 00	41 60	20 00	19 76	.....	18 20	.....	.....	.....	7 00	130 50	575 05
Deanville.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Davilla.....	60 00	43 85	450 00	328 75	10 53	9 00	36 00	29 00	46 20	38 00	36 96	28 00	17 55	12 00	16 77	10 00	.....	.....	6 50	118 80	624 90
Sealy.....	113 75	90 60	700 00	531 35	15 00	8 00	56 00	42 00	70 00	18 00	56 00	20 00	26 00	8 00	24 50	5 00	.....	.....	5 20	550 00	1280 15
Milano.....	100 00	55 50	650 00	357 95	15 00	5 00	52 00	20 00	66 00	20 00	52 80	10 00	25 08	10 00	23 10	.....	.....	.....	10 00	250 00	1284 60
Pleasant Hill....	40 00	30 32	400 00	303 23	10 53	5 00	32 00	24 25	46 20	12 00	36 96	15 00	17 55	2 00	16 17	1 50	.....	.....	5 50	158 77	558 57
Ben Arnold.....	20 00	7 00	250 00	75 15	2 30	1 00	20 00	.....	12 20	1 00	9 60	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 44	60 00	147 59
TOTAL.....	\$1307 25	\$1083 74	\$9475 00	\$7758 98	223 33	159 08	\$ 739 35	\$ 572 85	\$ 986 48	\$ 538 50	\$ 780 77	\$ 480 80	\$ 353 86	\$ 202 40	\$ 331 43	\$ 153 39	\$10 90	\$20 45	103 19	\$5237 30	\$ 16940 31



# Statistical and Financial Reports—Calvert District, 1897.

NAME OF CHARGE.	L. Preach.	Members this Year	Members last Year	On Prof. of Faith	Cert. or otherwise	Removals all Causes	Infants Baptized	Adults Baptized	Societies in Charge	Churches	Value of Churches	Parson's Value of Parsonages	Value of Other Ch Property	Money Expended on Ch'ches and Pars.	No. Epw. Leagues	Ep League Members.	No. of S. Schools	No. of S. & Teach.	No. of Scholars	Am't Col-lected for Sunday Schools	Am't Col-lected for Missions	Am't Col'd on Chil-dren's Day	Am't Col'd for Other Objects	Total Amount Raised	DEL. GEN. CONF.	AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY	
																									Paid	Paid	
Calvert .....	1	289	261	10	34	16	3	3	1	1	4000 00	1	\$ 1200 00	\$ 200 00	1	45	1	17	110	\$ 89 60	\$48 16	\$.....	\$.....	\$ 137 76	\$.....	\$ 2 50	
Marlin .....	1	240	284	2	12	58	7	2	1	1	4500 00	1	1600 00	300 00	1	37	1	15	121	40 00	30 00	5 40	.....	75 40	.....	.....	
Bremond and R	1	391	361	27	9	6	10	10	2	2	5000 00	1	600 00	400 00	1	14	2	26	200	82 00	15 00	8 00	10 00	115 00	.....	3 00	
Kosse and Alto	1	240	202	26	12	40	8	8	2	2	2500 00	1	1200 00	100 00	1	30	2	18	131	40 00	.....	.....	40 00	.....	2 00		
Petteway .....	1	287	244	36	16	9	6	30	6	3	1500 00	1	350 00	60 00	1	30	3	21	120	18 00	.....	.....	18 00	.....	1 80		
Hearne and W.	1	139	151	2	19	34	10	.....	4	2	2450 00	1	800 00	106 60	1	30	1	13	60	27 00	14 30	3 35	4 70	49 35	4 00	.....	
Franklin .....	1	146	152	1	6	13	.....	.....	1	1	1200 00	1	600 00	101 05	1	17	1	12	103	29 46	.....	.....	29 46	3 10	.....		
Mt. Vernon .....	2	418	398	10	15	5	4	10	6	6	2500 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	20	150	.....	.....	5 00	40 00	45 00	12 00	.....		
Buffalo and O.	2	281	279	9	8	15	7	3	3	2	1600 00	.....	.....	.....	1	30	2	25	80	35 00	4 00	9 50	48 50	2 50	.....		
Fairfield .....	1	362	370	12	4	24	8	10	3	4	3250 00	1	1000 00	26 00	1	60	2	20	130	34 00	4 60	.....	13 50	52 10	.....	.....	
Jewett .....	1	180	165	19	14	18	5	9	3	2	1200 00	1	500 00	50 00	.....	.....	2	17	125	19 10	.....	.....	19 10	2 05	1 50		
Personville .....	4	148	125	12	20	9	4	4	4	1	800 00	1	400 00	20 00	1	22	1	7	59	7 00	.....	1 25	9 20	.....	.....		
Centreville .....	1	358	334	27	16	19	10	11	6	4	3800 00	1	1000 00	19 45	.....	.....	2	13	55	19 20	.....	25 75	44 95	2 00	1 50		
Rogers Prairie..	1	282	265	5	30	18	11	3	6	3	1250 00	1	450 00	50 00	1	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 25		
Rosebud .....	2	443	343	75	.....	25	3	30	4	2	2500 00	1	500 00	143 00	1	25	3	24	200	30 00	.....	.....	30 00	.....	.....		
Chilton and L.	.....	230	222	9	8	19	9	6	5	3	2600 00	.....	53 00	.....	.....	5	23	220	41 08	.....	.....	.....	41 08	.....	.....		
Durango .....	1	346	325	46	12	37	4	28	4	4	3300 00	1	400 00	362 26	.....	.....	4	22	205	22 94	.....	71 15	94 09	.....	.....		
Stranger and H	1	266	247	18	4	3	.....	7	5	2	1500 00	.....	.....	135 00	.....	.....	3	16	135	17 00	.....	.....	17 00	.....	.....		
TOTAL .....	21	5036	4728	346	239	368	109	174	66	45	\$ 45450 00	14	\$ 10600 00	\$ 70 00	\$2095 91	12	363	40	307	2234	\$ 541 38	116 06	\$32 50	\$ 166 05	\$ 855 99	\$ 19 45	\$ 11 75

NAME OF CHARGE.	PRESIDING ELDER		PREACHER IN CHARGE		BISHOPS		CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS		FOREIGN MISSIONS		DOMESTIC MISSIONS		CHURCH EXTENSION		EDUCATION		G. B. E.	P & L Inst.	Orphan-age	OTHER OBJECTS	TOTAL FROM ALL SOURCES	
	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	As'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	P'd	Paid	Paid			
Calvert .....	\$ 186 00	\$ 186 00	\$1200 00	\$1200 00	\$24 25	\$24 25	\$ 96 00	\$ 96 00	\$ 135 65	\$ 135 65	\$ 98 00	\$ 98 00	\$ 51 00	\$ 51 00	\$ 30 15	\$ 30 15	\$ 4 00	\$ 6 00	\$56 00	\$597 91	\$ 2476 46	
Bremond and R	108 00	103 00	700 00	649 00	13 00	13 00	50 00	50 00	73 00	73 00	53 00	53 00	26 00	10 00	16 00	10 00				500 00	1414 00	
Marlin .....	155 00	155 00	1000 00	1200 00	22 20	22 20	80 00	80 00	124 35	90 00	90 00	90 00	46 75	46 75	22 70	22 70	3 70	5 55	95 45	530 00	2298 70	
Kosse and Alot	81 00	52 00	525 00	339 00	11 00	8 00	40 00	20 00	62 00	26 00	35 00	10 00	13 00	5 00	12 00	5 00			10 00	140 00	617 00	
Hearne and Wh	108 50	85 00	691 50	552 75	13 13	12 00	56 00	44 00	73 50	51 50	53 00	36 00	27 65	20 00	16 35	10 00	2 00	2 00	8 00	141 65	968 90	
Fairfield .....	80 50	63 05	519 50	406 95	10 10	7 00	41 55	32 00	56 50	29 00	40 85	21 00	21 25	6 00	12 60	4 00		1 00	6 20	73 50	649 70	
Centreville ..	93 00	68 00	600 00	439 70	10 10	5 05	48 00	32 00	56 50	28 00	40 85	20 50	21 25	11 00	12 60	6 30			6 20	64 40	685 85	
Oakwoods & B..	52 26	51 40	337 74	331 75	8 10	3 50	27 00	27 00	45 20	20 00	32 75	15 25	17 00	6 75	10 10	4 10	50	75	4 90	20 00	532 90	
Chilton and L..	75 75	43 85	495 00	283 55	6 55		36 00	15 00	36 75	36 75	26 55	26 55	13 80	5 50	8 20					94 08	515 78	
Franklin .....	103 50	94 10	670 00	600 00	12 75	9 55	53 60	37 85	71 20	53 40	51 50	38 65	26 95	16 85	17 90	13 45		2 40		372 00	1247 66	
Durango .....	50 00	34 90	323 00	225 45	7 00		25 84	18 55	39 55	16 75	28 60	14 75	14 90		8 90				4 30	466 35	891 05	
Rosebud .....	81 00	38 00	569 00	246 65	8 10	5 00	20 50	20 00	45 20	10 00	32 70	8 00	17 00	5 00	10 10	1 00			2 00	173 00	478 65	
Rogers Prairie..	17 50	28 25	324 00	178 00	7 00	3 65	24 00	16 00	39 55	10 75	28 60	8 00	14 90	2 50	8 90	2 00				6 00	50 00	307 40
Stranger and H	44 25	18 75	285 70	121 25		3 00		5 00		6 00		5 00							1 00	17 00	177 00	
Mount Vernon..	53 60	31 40	400 00	232 73	7 00	4 00	30 00	15 00	43 00	43 00	31 00	21 00	16 00	4 00	9 00	3 00			4 00	45 00	1405 13	
Jewett .....	49 60	41 75	320 00	269 90	6 00	5 00	24 00	20 00	33 90	20 00	24 50	15 00	12 75	6 00	7 55	2 00				4 50	44 10	431 80
Petteway .....	50 00	18 80	325 00	120 70	4 00	2 00	26 00	9 60	22 60	5 65	16 35	4 10	8 50	5 05					2 45	174 15	252 15	
Personville .....	28 60	7 90	185 00	50 33	4 20	1 00	14 80	4 00	22 60	3 25	16 35	14 25	8 50		5 00				2 55	23 75	117 03	
TOTAL .....	\$1448 06	\$1121 15	\$9470 44	\$7448 71	174 48	130 00	\$ 698 29	\$ 542 00	\$ 991 05	\$ 658 70	\$ 699 60	\$ 499 05	\$ 357 20	\$ 201 40	\$ 208 05	\$ 113 70	\$10 20	\$17 70	213 55	3526 89	\$ 14567 16	

1 District Parsonage at Calvert, valued at \$1100.00.

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NAME OF CHARGE.	L. Preach.	Members this Year	Members last Year	On Prof. of Faith	Cert. or otherwise	Removals all Causes	Infants Baptized	Adults Baptized	Societies in Charge	Churches	Value of Churches	Parson's	Value of Parsonages	Value of Other Property	Money Expended on Churches and Parn.	No. Epw. Leagues	Ep League Members	No. of S. Schools	No. Office's & Teachers	No. of Scholars	Am't Col-lected for Sunday Schools	Am't Col-lected for Missions	Amt Col'd on Chil-dren's Day	Amt Col'd for Other Objects	Total Amount Raised	DEL. GEN. CONF.	AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY
																										Paid	Paid
Huntsville .....	335	330	8	14	17	1	12	1	1	1	\$ 6000 00	1	\$ 2500 00	\$.....	\$ 104 50	.....	1	19	200	\$ 47 84	\$25 00	\$10 00	\$ 4 95	\$ 87 79	\$.....	\$ 8 30	
Anderson .....	368	358	8	4	4	16	4	4	4	4	4900 00	1	500 00	.....	61 15	1	50	16	150	60 00	.....	.....	60 00	2 50	.....		
Navasota .....	248	250	4	4	10	3	12	1	1	1	5000 00	1	3500 00	500 00	150 00	1	17	16	100	50 00	11 00	6 21	.....	67 31	.....		
Courtney and P .....	294	296	15	6	23	10	6	6	4	4	4800 00	1	850 00	.....	410 00	.....	4	24	105	18 60	65	2 10	.....	21 35	.....		
Hockley .....	372	365	4	9	6	10	3	2	4	4	2500 00	1	440 00	.....	28 35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	46 40	.....		
Conroe & Montg .....	230	248	.....	18	36	8	9	4	4	4	3300 00	2	1500 00	.....	250 00	2	60	15	200	41 40	.....	5 00	.....	32 10	.....		
Dodge .....	315	306	8	18	17	12	5	6	3	3	1159 00	1	300 00	40 00	30 00	.....	16	68	11 85	.....	.....	2 35	17 90	.....			
Madisonville .....	405	343	15	55	8	9	5	3	3	3	1800 00	1	500 00	20 00	43 15	2	70	20	160	20 00	.....	2 75	.....	22 75	.....		
Prairie Plains.....	230	224	8	10	12	6	5	3	3	3	1500 00	1	600 00	50 00	400 00	.....	.....	8	60	10 00	.....	3 43	.....	13 43	.....		
Zion .....	338	334	6	7	9	4	4	.....	2	1	1300 00	1	150 00	.....	40 00	.....	12	80	20 00	.....	.....	.....	20 00	.....			
Hempstead & W .....	154	145	1	14	6	.....	.....	.....	1	1	1400 00	1	600 00	.....	65 00	1	25	11	91	69 00	17 00	.....	.....	86 00	.....		
Bryan .....	188	229	1	12	54	2	.....	.....	1	1	2500 00	1	2000 00	.....	75 00	.....	1	17	100	77 87	.....	.....	77 87	.....			
Millican .....	369	345	25	7	8	3	6	5	5	5	2200 00	1	400 00	.....	.....	1	42	15	135	32 50	.....	.....	32 50	.....			
Willis .....	205	207	12	5	19	8	1	1	1	1	2300 00	1	1000 00	.....	100 00	.....	3	8	65	50 00	14 00	3 00	.....	67 00	.....		
Cold Springs .....	267	255	10	6	4	7	.....	.....	4	4	2000 00	1	600 00	.....	400 00	.....	1	15	80	28 00	.....	.....	28 00	.....			
TOTAL.....	14	4318	4235	125	189	231	83	59	48	40	\$ 42659 00	16	\$ 14740 00	\$ 610 00	\$2157 15	8	264	34	212	1594	\$ 537 06	\$67 65	\$34 84	\$ 22 85	\$ 662 40	\$ 28 25	\$ 12 00

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	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	P'd	Paid	Paid		
Huntsville .....	\$ 225 00	\$ 225 00	\$1200 00	\$1200 00	\$25 00	\$25 00	\$ 96 00	\$ 96 00	\$ 185 00	\$ 185 00	\$ 110 00	\$ 110 00	\$ 60 00	\$ 60 00	\$ 40 00	\$ 40 00	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$470 92	\$ 2578 51
Navasota.....	100 00	80 00	1000 00	800 00	12 50	10 00	80 00	60 00	75 00	50 00	45 00	40 00	25 00	5 00	15 00	4 00	.....	.....	12 00	501 21	1562 21
Bryan .....	100 00	100 00	1000 00	989 00	20 00	15 00	80 00	52 00	95 00	40 00	65 00	22 50	25 00	10 00	20 00	8 00	2 75	2 00	14 00	157 87	1467 22
Anderson.....	70 00	58 10	505 00	368 35	10 00	5 00	29 45	29 45	60 00	30 00	40 00	20 00	15 00	.....	12 00	.....	.....	5 00	121 15	639 55	
Courtney and P	67 50	55 25	400 00	327 50	10 00	6 00	32 00	24 00	60 00	30 00	40 00	20 00	25 00	10 00	12 50	2 85	.....	5 00	430 70	915 00	
Conroe & Montg	67 00	61 05	517 50	464 55	10 00	9 00	41 00	37 15	60 00	40 00	40 00	28 00	25 00	20 00	12 50	8 00	.....	1 00	5 00	296 40	974 15
Madisonville ..	60 00	50 00	575 00	500 00	7 50	5 00	46 00	40 00	60 00	10 00	40 00	18 05	15 00	15 00	7 50	5 00	.....	5 00	65 90	714 45	
Hempstead & W	60 00	53 50	500 00	432 00	10 00	8 00	40 00	35 00	60 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	25 00	.....	12 50	.....	.....	5 00	271 00	908 25	
Cold Springs ..	60 00	21 50	500 00	316 00	7 50	7 50	40 00	20 00	50 00	50 00	35 00	10 00	15 00	.....	7 50	.....	.....	5 75	66 75	898 00	
Prairie Plains...	45 00	28 00	300 00	193 00	5 00	5 00	24 00	24 00	30 00	30 00	30 00	30 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	2 00	2 50	17 43	349 43	
Millican .....	60 00	42 75	450 00	340 00	10 00	10 00	36 00	21 00	60 00	27 50	40 00	30 00	15 00	11 70	10 00	.....	.....	2 75	32 50	528 20	
Willis .....	60 00	60 00	500 00	500 00	10 00	10 00	40 00	40 00	60 00	60 00	40 00	40 00	25 00	25 00	10 00	10 00	2 00	2 00	5 00	177 00	911 00
Hockley .....	50 00	29 55	360 00	212 80	7 50	4 00	28 80	17 00	30 00	15 48	30 00	16 35	7 50	4 00	7 50	2 50	.....	1 00	28 35	338 03	
Dodge .....	40 00	21 00	410 00	215 75	5 00	5 00	17 25	17 25	20 00	20 00	25 00	25 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	.....	2 00	62 10	319 60	
Zion.....	30 00	16 20	300 00	208 70	2 50	1 00	24 00	8 50	25 00	11 00	25 00	13 00	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	2 50	60 00	320 90	
TOTAL.....	\$1094 50	\$ 901 90	\$8517 50	\$7067 65	154 50	125 50	\$ 654 50	\$ 521 35	\$ 930 00	\$ 638 98	\$ 645 00	\$ 462 90	\$ 302 50	\$ 175 70	\$ 182 00	\$ 90 35	\$ 4 75	\$12 50	\$82 00	2810 28	\$ 13443 50



# Recapitulation Statistical and Financial Report—Texas Conference, 1897.

NAME OF DISTRICT.	L. Preach.	Members this Year	Members last Year	On Prof. of Faith	Certi. or otherwise	Removal all Causes	Infants Baptized	Adults Baptized	Societies in Charge	Churches	Value of Churches	Parson's	Value of Parsonages	Value of Other Ch Property	Money Expended on Ch's and Pars.	No. Epw. Leagues	Ep League Members	No. of S. Schools	No. Offic's & Teach.	No. of Scholars	Am't Collected for Sunday Schools	Am't Collected for Missions	Am't Col'd on Children's Day	Am't Col'd for Other Objects	Total Amount Raised	DEL. GEN. CONF. Paid	BIBLE SOCIETY Paid
Houston.....	30	4602	3961	308	808	444	168	100	51	37	\$112600 00	11	\$ 10420 00	\$35800 00	\$ 5128 50	28	972	39	358	3140	\$1745 68	\$393 48	\$ 62 90	\$ 389 69	\$ 2591 75	\$ 82 50	\$ 16 75
Austin.....	19	4262	4187	480	354	864	103	214	38	29	66235 75	15	18020 00	1952 25	7137 48	16	522	32	305	2208	760 42	118 70	11 15	27 30	917 57	40 50	54 98
Brenham.....	25	4821	4699	302	260	429	192	182	46	36	64700 00	16	18425 00	39200 00	4260 65	8	271	37	271	2087	494 14	201 75	32 53	168 19	896 51	34 10	25 20
Calvert.....	21	5036	4728	346	239	363	109	174	66	45	45450 00	14	10600 00	70 00	2095 91	12	363	40	309	2234	541 38	116 06	32 50	166 05	855 99	19 45	11 75
Huntsville..	14	4318	4235	125	189	231	83	59	48	59	42659 00	16	14740 00	610 00	2157 15	8	264	34	212	1594	537 06	67 65	34 84	22 85	662 40	28 25	12 00
TOTAL	119	23039	22810	1561	1850	2336	655	729	249	187	\$361644 75	72	\$ 72210 00	\$77632 25	\$20779 69	72	2392	182	1455	11263	\$4078 68	\$897 64	\$173 92	774 08	\$ 5924 22	\$ 204 80	\$ 120 68
LAST YEAR	98	22544	21002	2470	1531	2289	752	1113	264	190	\$353001 09	70	\$ 70294 00	\$43545 00	\$14174 55	72	2532	184	1458	11411	\$4377 43	\$862 45	\$135 80	\$1029 12	\$ 6404 80	\$ 320 80	\$ 171 85
INCREASE....	21	495	1808	.....	319	47	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$ 3643 75	2	\$ 1327 00	\$34087 25	\$ 6605 14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$ 35 19	\$ 31 12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
DECREASE...	.....	.....	.....	909	.....	.....	97	384	15	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	140	2	3	148	\$ 298 75	.....	.....	\$ 255 04	\$ 480 58	\$ 116 00	\$ 54 17

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	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid					
Houston.....	\$2100 00	\$1957 87	\$14307 50	\$13266 67	\$ 267 00	\$257 50	\$1145 00	\$ 985 95	\$1360 25	\$1268 25	\$1080 00	\$ 963 25	\$ 618 00	\$ 550 50	\$ 365 00	\$ 318 25	\$41 55	\$ 52 25	\$164 30	\$ 6923 57	\$29582 09
Austin.....	1850 00	1595 90	11148 00	10057 35	234 00	198 50	872 86	738 35	1165 00	980 50	917 00	727 20	434 00	238 50	351 00	204 10	11 00	22 00	99 15	9257 20	24896 23
Brenham.....	1307 25	1083 74	9475 00	7758 98	223 33	159 08	739 35	572 85	986 48	538 50	780 77	480 80	353 86	202 40	331 43	153 39	10 90	20 45	103 19	5237 30	16940 31
Calvert.....	1448 06	1120 15	9470 44	7448 71	174 48	130 00	698 29	542 00	991 05	658 70	699 60	499 05	357 20	201 40	208 05	113 70	10 20	17 70	213 55	3526 89	14567 16
Huntsville..	1094 50	901 90	8517 50	7067 65	154 50	125 50	654 50	521 35	930 00	638 98	645 00	462 90	302 50	175 70	182 00	90 35	4 75	12 50	82 00	2810 28	13443 50
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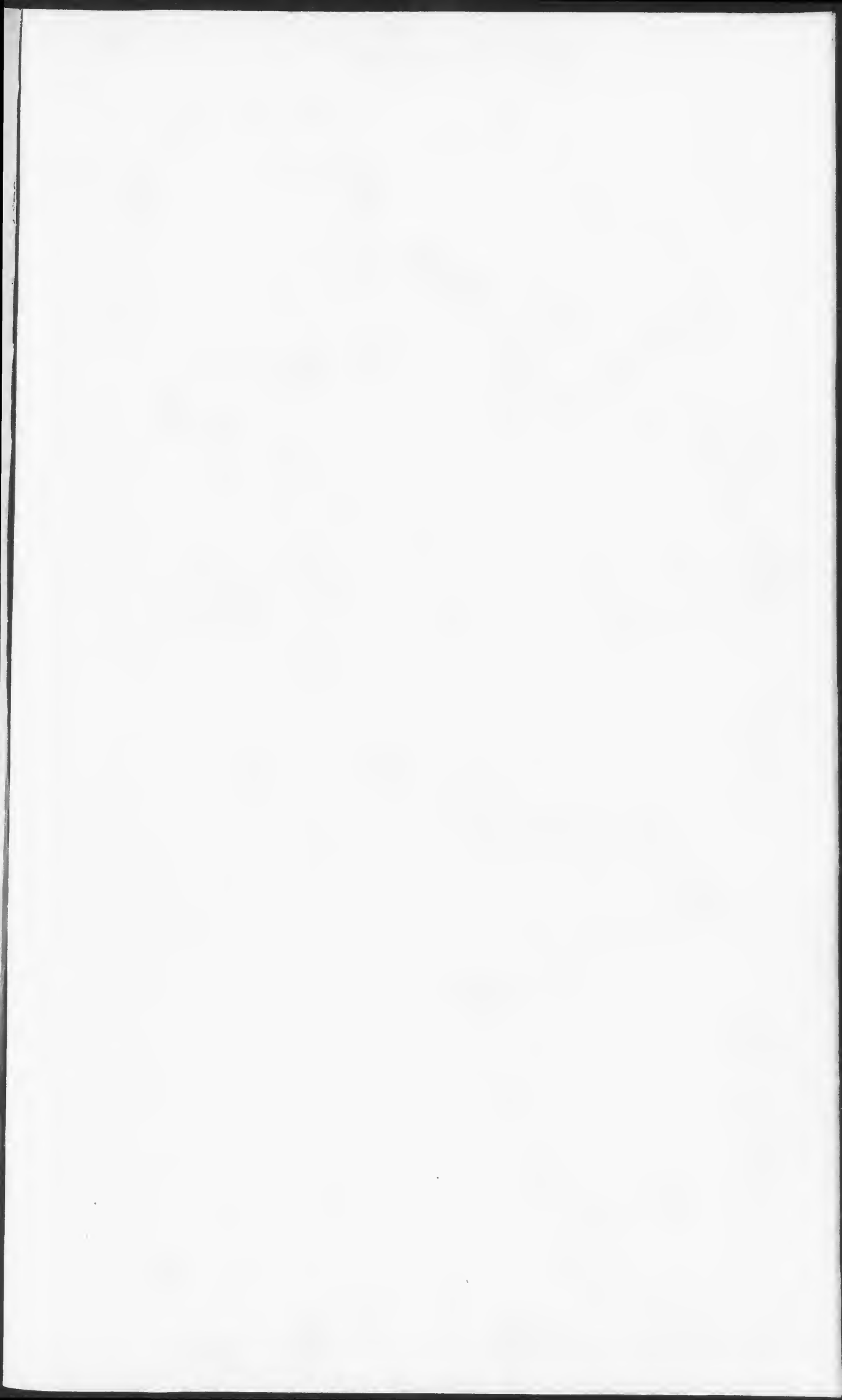
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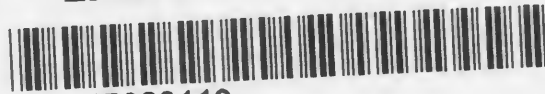
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